



KDU-NT and KDS-NT

OPERATOR

MANUAL



IDENTIFICATION DATA OF THE MANUFACTURER

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IDENTIFICATION DATA OF THE PRODUCT

Code	Model	Torque (Nm)	Max torque (Nm) Hard joints only	Speed (rpm)	
				Min	Max
033001	KDU-NT				
165050	KDS-NT70	0.05 – 0.70	0.90	20	700
165050/HM	KDS-NT70/HM	0.05 – 0.70	0.90	20	700
165150	KDS-NT70CA	0.05 – 0.70	0.90	20	700
165150/HM	KDS-NT70CA/HM	0.05 – 0.70	0.90	20	700
165120	KDS-NT120	0.10 – 1.20	1.40	20	400
165120/HM	KDS-NT120/HM	0.10 – 1.20	1.40	20	400
165151	KDS-NT120CA	0.10 – 1.20	1.40	20	400
165151/HM	KDS-NT120CA/HM	0.10 – 1.20	1.40	20	400

TECHNICAL DATA OF THE PRODUCT

KDU-NT controller	KDS-NT screwdriver
FUSE: 2,00 A internal	FUSE: none
DIMENSIONS: 184 x 169 x h69 mm	DIMENSIONS: Ø 30 x 223 mm
WEIGHT: 1,22 Kg	WEIGHT: 320 g
POWER SUPPLY: 100÷240 V AC 50÷60 Hz	POWER SUPPLY: 40V DC
TENSION: 40V DC	TENSION: 40V DC
POWER: 12.5 W	POWER: 12.5 W
NOISE LEVEL: < 70 dB(A)	NOISE LEVEL: < 70 dB(A)
VIBRATION LEVEL: < 2.5 m/s ²	VIBRATION LEVEL: < 2.5 m/s ²

DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY



KOLVER S.r.l. declares that the new tool here described: control unit model KDU-NT and screwdrivers KDS-NT series (see table) are in conformity with the following standards and other normative documents: 2006/42/CE, LVD 2014/35/UE, EMCD 2014/30/UE, EN 62841-2-2:2014, EN 62841-1: 2015, EN 60204-1, EN 61000-6-2, EN 61000-6-4, 2011/65/UE (RoHS III).

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DECLARATION OF USE

Screwdriver (class I) suitable for industrial environment only. It shall be used for tightening. No other use will be permitted. For professional use only.

WARNING: To reduce the risk of injury, before using or servicing screwdriver, read and understand the following information as well as separately provided safety instructions (item code: 0MS000). The features and descriptions of our products are subject to change without prior notice.

DECLARATION OF NOISE AND VIBRATION EMISSION

NOISE LEVEL: < 70 dB(A)

VIBRATION LEVEL: < 2.5 m/s²

These declared values were obtained by laboratory type testing in compliance with the stated standards and are not adequate for use in risk assessments. Values measured in individual work places may be higher than the declared values. The actual exposure values and risk of harm experienced by an individual user are unique and depend upon the way the user works, the work piece and the workstation design, as well as upon the exposure time and the physical condition of the user. We, KOLVER, cannot be held liable for the consequences of using the declared values, instead of values reflecting the actual exposure, in an individual risk assessment in a work place situation over which we have no control.

OPERATING MODE

The screwdriver can be manual or used as fixed spindle on an automatic machine.

CONTROL UNIT

Power source by KDU-NT series.

MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

Maintenance should be performed by qualified personnel only.

- Prior to any maintenance task: disconnect the screwdriver.
- When disassembling / reassembling the screwdriver, take the following precautions:
 - Check that the controller is switched off.
 - Disconnect the cable.

According to Directive 2012/19/EU concerning Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE), this product must be recycled.

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INTRODUCTION

K-DUCER NT is the new patented, class A, ultra low torque, intelligent transducerized assembly system from Kolver.

Thanks to a sophisticated control system, the electronic circuit communicates with KDS-NT series screwdriver equipped with integrated torque/angle transducer and allows to stop the screwdriver instantly when reaching the preset torque or angle.

The AC 90÷260V - 50÷60Hz power supply is converted into 40VDC required by the screwdriver through a switching board.

IMPORTANT: K-DUCER NT is a highly accurate unit, but it is critically important to select the appropriate settings to ensure that the desired and proper torque is being applied and that the screwdriver motor works efficiently. Read the manual carefully and if unsure please contact Kolver for support.

MODELS

KDU-NT power supply and control unit:

Code	Model	Features
033001	KDU-NT	5" touch screen 64 programs and 8 sequences (jobs) multiple parameters, total job flexibility Torque and angle charts RJ45 ethernet connector (Modbus TCP server) 12-24V NPN I/O (6 inputs – 6 outputs) 2x RS-232 serial ports 1D and 2D barcode scanner compatibility

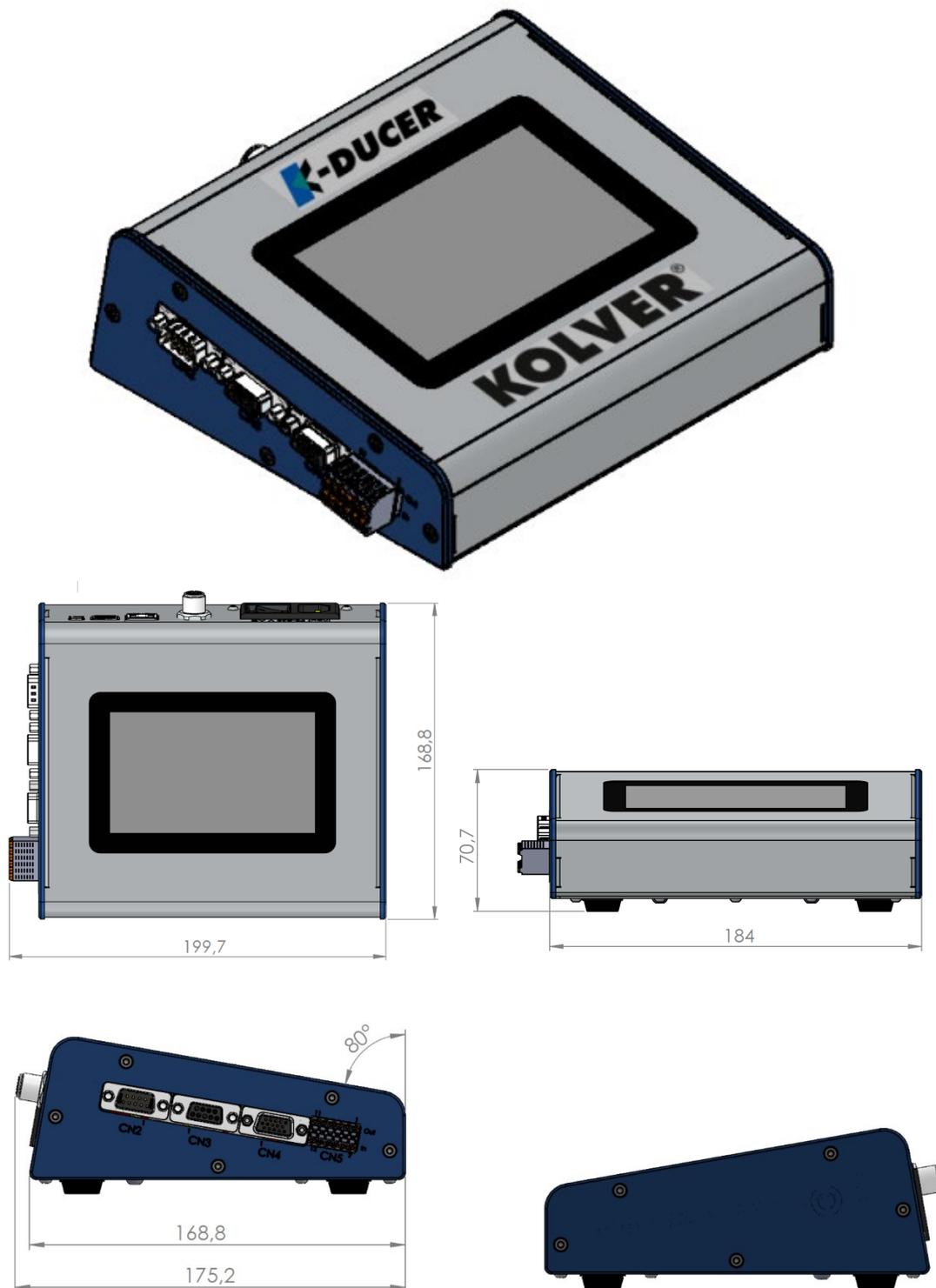
KDS-NT electric screwdrivers with torque and angle transducer (HM = half-moon bit holder):

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INSTALLATION

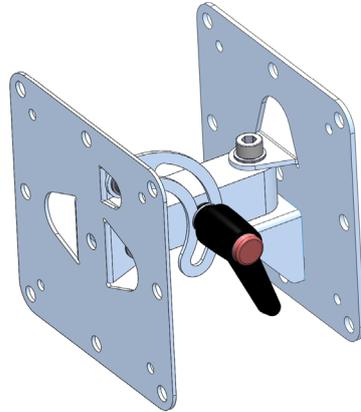
Installation of KDU-NT unit

The KDU-NT features rubber feet and a tilted screen and can be conveniently set on a flat surface. All dimensions are reported in mm.

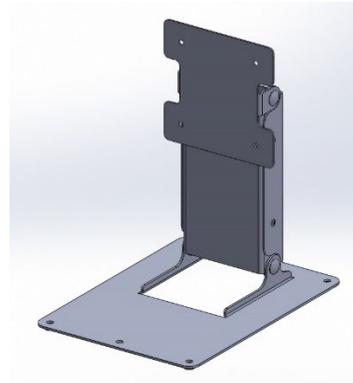


Also available separately:

- vertically and horizontally adjustable bracket (part number 010401)
- swivel table stand (part number 010402)

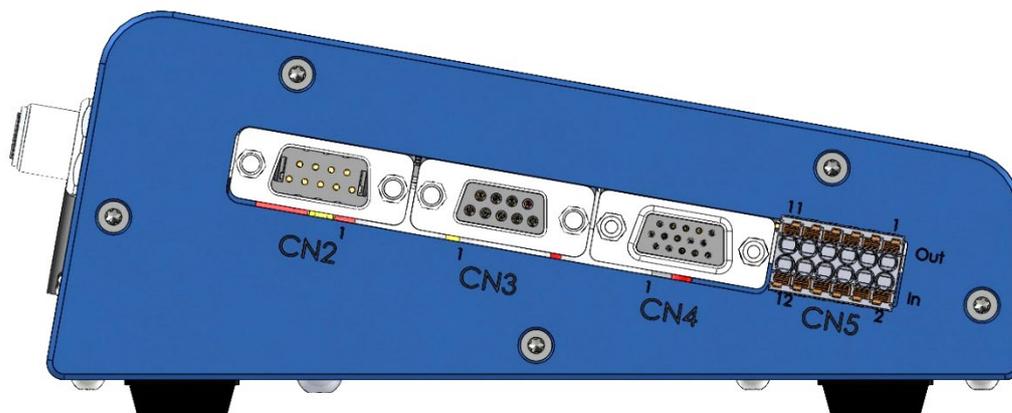
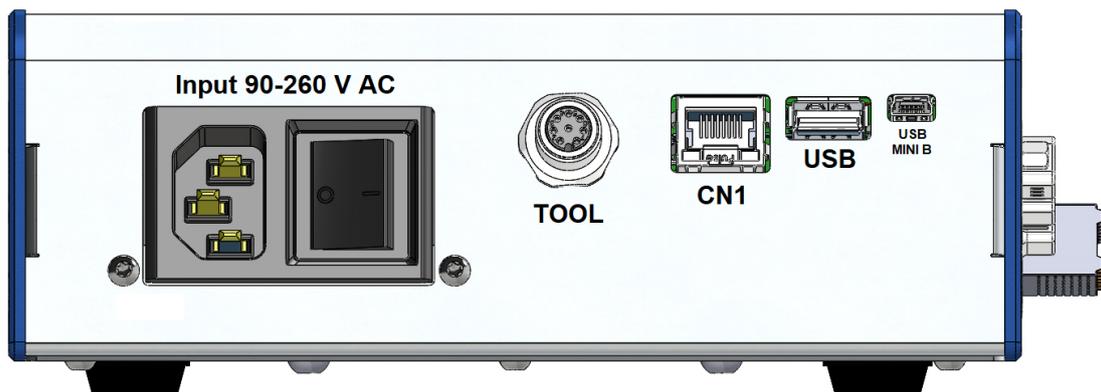


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010402

Connectors



TOOL connector

To connect a KDS-NT series screwdriver. Take care to respect the alignment tabs on the connector. See [Installation of KDS screwdriver](#) section for instructions on connecting the screwdriver.

CN1 ethernet connector RJ45

To connect using MODBUS TCP, or K-Expand from a PLC, PC, or server. Refer to the [REMOTE CONTROL INTERFACES](#) chapter.

USB A

Plug in a FAT32 formatted flash drive to automatically save screwdriving results and backup all settings. Refer to the [Retrieving and storing the screwdriving results](#) and [USB menu](#) sections.

USB mini B

To connect using K-Expand software. Refer to the [K-EXPAND software](#) chapter.

CN2 male serial connector

To connect with a compatible serial barcode scanner, such as Kolver Barcode P/N 020050 and P/N 020051, USB barcode scanner via adapter P/N 010415, serial printers such as Kolver PRNTR1, or serial terminals (PC/PLCs).

CN3 female serial connector

To connect with Kolver accessories SWBX88/CBX880, serial printers such as Kolver PRNTR1, or serial terminals (PC/PLCs).

CN4 female serial connector

Reserved for servicing the unit.

CN5 I/O connector

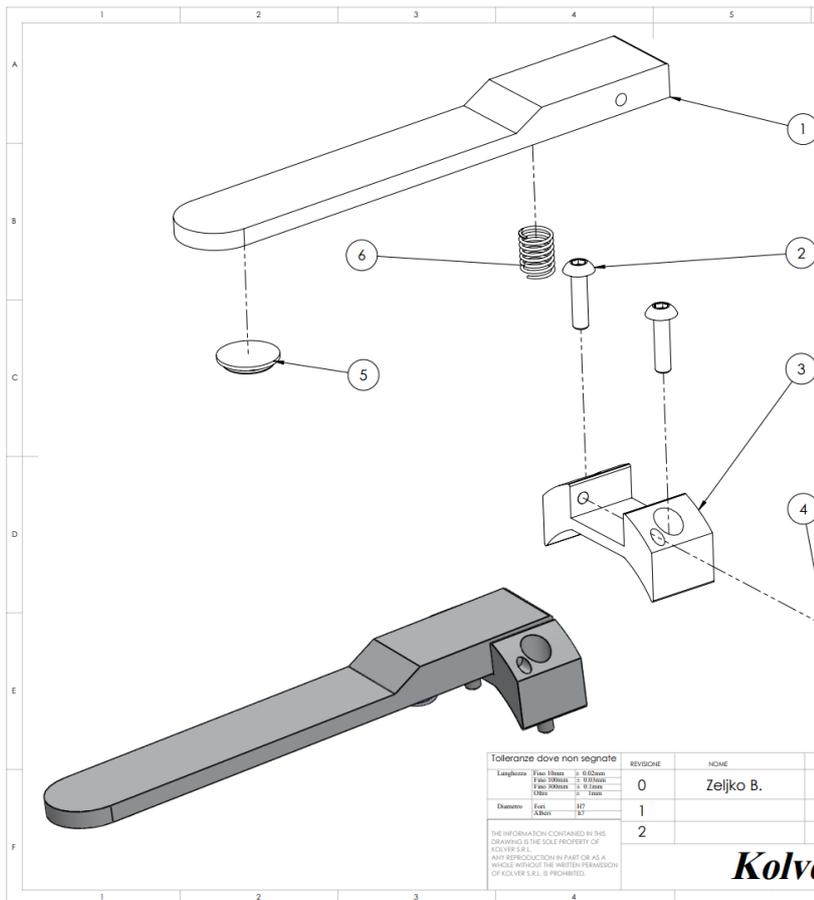
To connect with 24V I/O functionality such as PLCs, pedals/buttons, LEDS, etc. Refer to the [REMOTE CONTROL INTERFACES](#) chapter.

Installation of KDS screwdriver

Lever installation

The lever comes pre-installed if ordered together with the tool.

To install the lever kit (cod. 010450), simply remove the two M2.5 screws from the cover (cod. 250203), place the lever on top of the cover, and screw using the longer M2.5 screws provided with the lever kit.

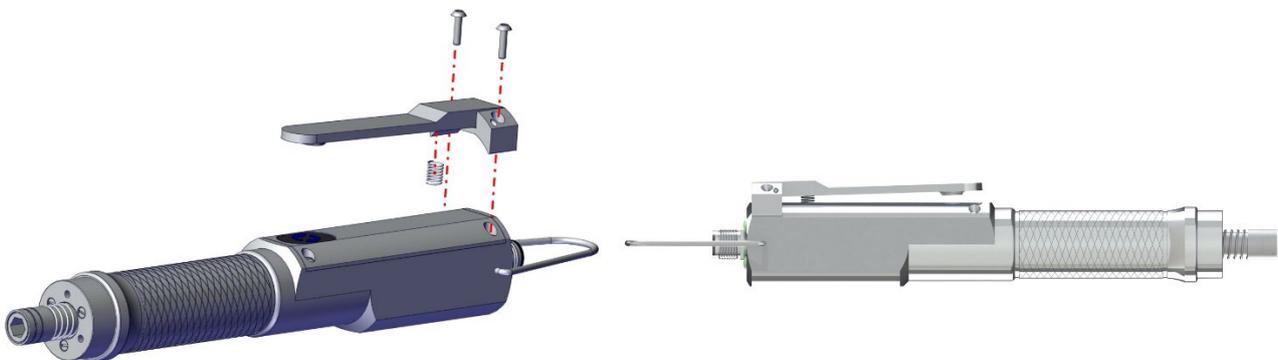


NUM. ARTICOLO	DESCRIZIONE	CODICE	QUANTITÀ
1	LEVA PULSANTE KDS NT 250207	250207	1
2	BN6404 VITE M2.5X10 TX8 T BOTTONE ZN TX8.	250208	2
3	SUPPORTO LEVA KDS NT 250206 FISSAGGIO ANTERIORE	250206	1
4	SPINA 2X20 COD 800330	800330	1
5	PIEDINO ADESIVO 461236 D10X1,8 250209	250209	1
6	MOLLA LEVA NT	221061	1

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Cable connection and part numbers

The following cables are available for the K-Ducer NT system:

- part number 2500363 (8-pin M12 8ft cable)

To connect the screwdriver to the unit:

1. insert the male connector into the appropriate TOOL connector on the bottom of the unit, taking care to respect the alignment tabs. Push the connector in gently and turn the threaded nut clockwise.
2. insert the female connector into the appropriate connector at the top of the screwdriver, taking care to respect the alignment tabs. Gently push the connector into its position and turn the threaded nut clockwise.

Always hand-tighten the connection, do not use pliers or tools and do not overtighten.

To disconnect the cable:

1. lightly push the connector in towards the screwdriver (or the controller)
2. turn the threaded nut counterclockwise
3. pull the connector out

If necessary, you can connect and disconnect the screwdriver cable while the KDS-NT unit is powered on. The KDS-NT will recognize a disconnected or recently connected screwdriver and display a message.

Installation of reaction arm

Kolver recommends always using a reaction arm to increase the precision of low torque tightenings and for the comfort of the operator.

The recommended area to clamp a reaction arm is the naked metal cylinder near the head of the screwdriver.

Note: it is possible to clamp the torque arm elsewhere on the metal body of the KDU-NT screwdriver, however in this case place special care to not overtighten the torque arm clamp. Excessive clamping force may compress the metal shell, potentially damaging the unit and/or distorting the torque measurements.

Installation on a fixture

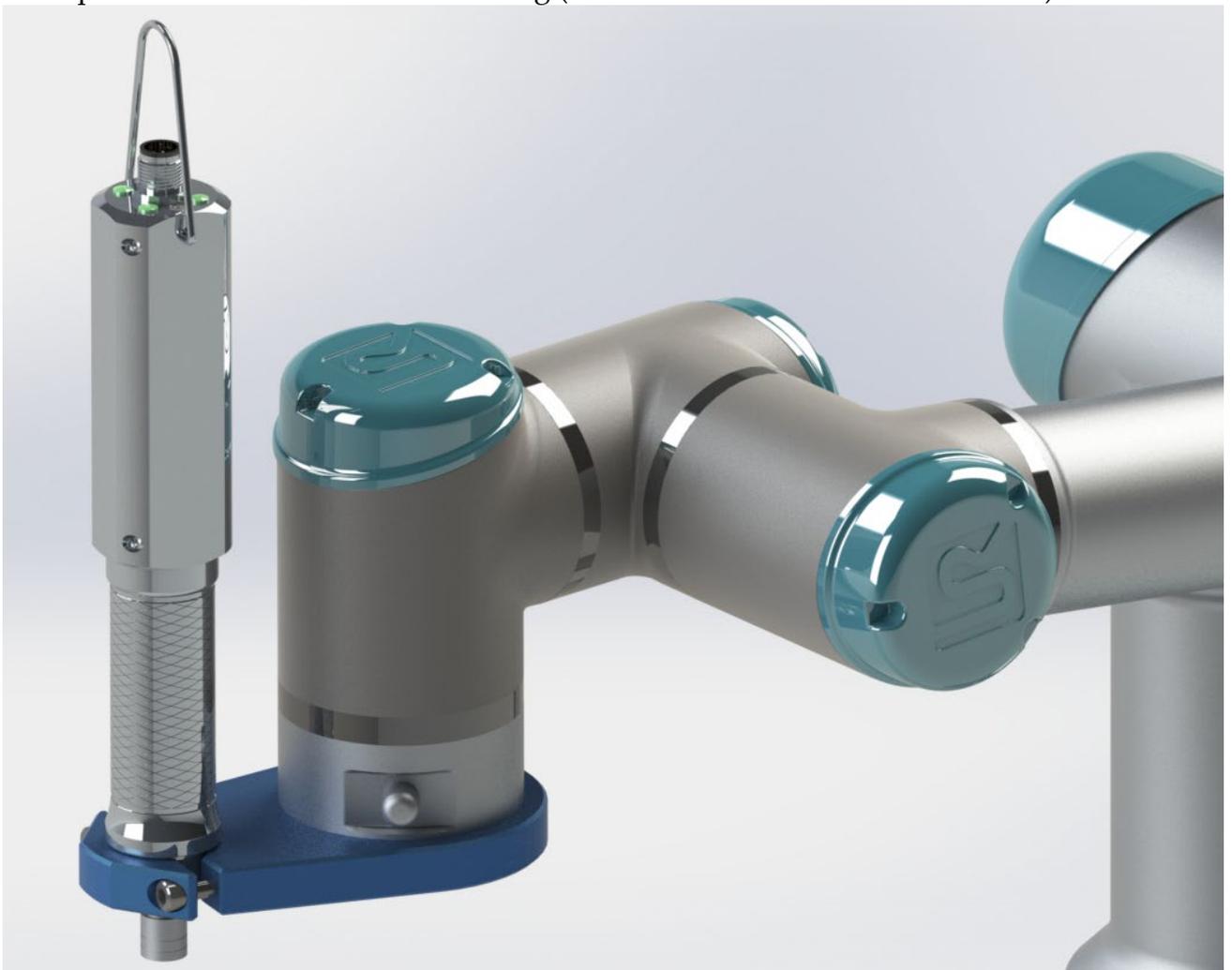
The KDS-NT can be mounted on a fixture via the three threaded M3 holes at the head of the screwdriver.

The CA models for automation also offer three threaded M3 holes on the side of the body of the screwdriver. Refer to the drawing below.

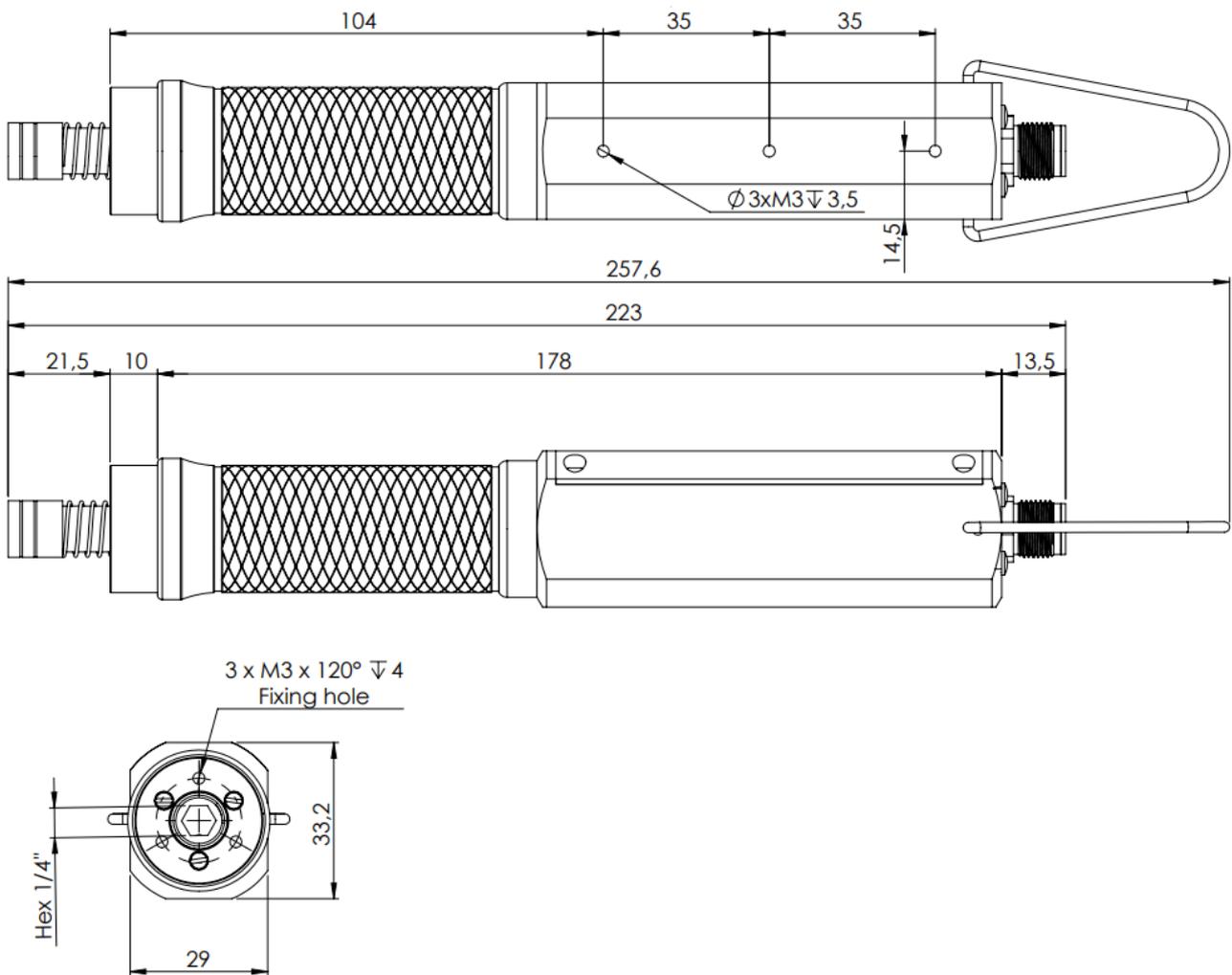
Reaction arm mounting:



Example of collaborative robot mounting (threaded tool-holders also available):



Threaded M3 fixturing holes (side holes on CA models only):



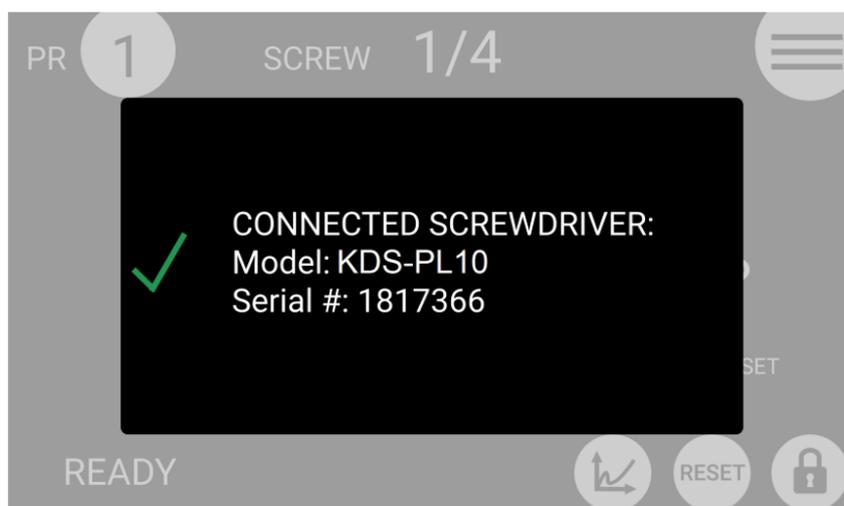
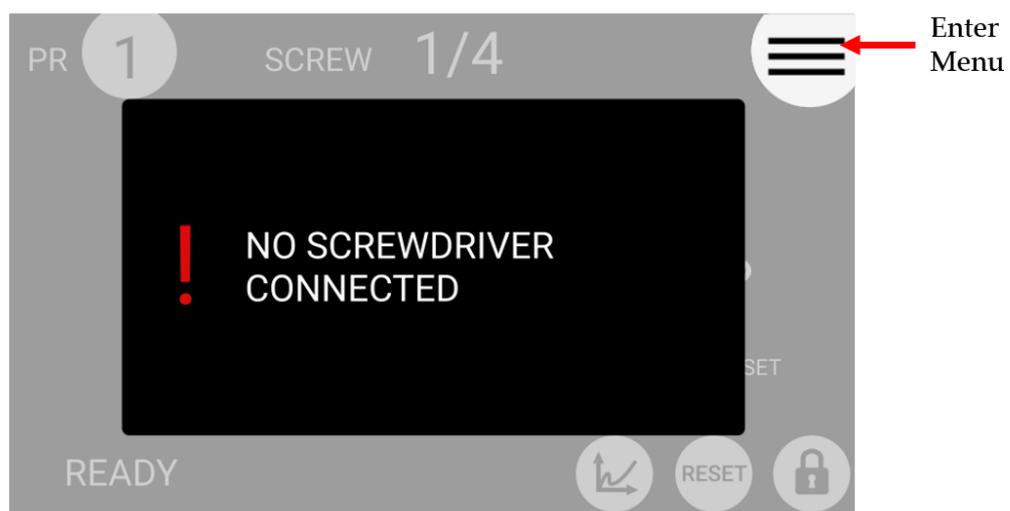
QUICK START

Turn the unit on through the on/off switch on the lower panel. The unit will carry a general system check and the words "NO SCREWDRIVER CONNECTED" will appear if no screwdriver is connected.

You can still enter the main menu without any screwdriver connected.

When a screwdriver is connected, it will be recognized by the unit and the "CONNECTED SCREWDRIVER" screen will appear for a few seconds, also showing the model and serial number.

All information pertaining to the connected screwdriver can also be retrieved in the General Settings menu.



If the parameters set in the current program are outside the allowable range of the connected screwdriver, the following screen will appear:



To resolve the error, select a program previously configured for the connected screwdriver model, or enter the main menu to modify the parameter out of range for the current program.

The “Program parameter error” messages can be the following:

TorqueTargOverMax	Target torque higher than the allowed limit for the screwdriver.
SpeedTargOverMax	Target speed higher than the limit allowed for the screwdriver.
SpeedTargUnderMin	Target speed less than the limit allowed for the screwdriver.
DownshiftTorqueOverTarg	The fast phase torque setting is higher than the final target torque.
DownshiftSpeedOverMax	The speed of the fast phase of this program is higher than the maximum allowed by the screwdriver.
DownshiftSpeedUnderMin	The speed of the fast phase of this program is less than the minimum allowed by the screwdriver.
DownshiftSpeedUnderFinalSpeed	The speed of the fast phase is lower than the final speed (slow phase speed).
TorqueMaxOverMaxLim	The Torque Target or Torque Max values are higher than the limit for the connected screwdriver.
TorqueMaxUnderMinLim	In angle control: the maximum torque set in the program is equal or lower than the minimum limit of the screwdriver. In torque control: The maximum torque set in the program is equal or lower than the target torque already set.

TorqueMinOverMaxLim	In angle control: the minimum torque set in the program is equal or higher than the maximum torque already set. In torque control: the minimum torque set in the program is equal or higher than the target torque already set.
RevTorqueOverMax	The reverse torque of this program is higher than the maximum torque of the screwdriver.
RevSpeedOverMax	The reverse speed is higher than the maximum allowed by the screwdriver.
RevSpeedUnderMin	The reverse speed is lower than the minimum allowed by the screwdriver.
RunningTorqueOverMax	In running torque – compensate mode, the sum of the max running torque and the target torque is higher than the maximum torque of the screwdriver. In running torque – monitor mode, the max running torque is higher than the maximum torque of the screwdriver.

If the connection with the screwdriver is successful, the main screen will be displayed, and the screwdriver will be ready for work.

Connect a thumb drive on the USB-A port (the larger USB port) to automatically save each screwdriving result.

TERMINOLOGY

KDU/K-DUCER/control unit: the KDU-NT control unit

KDS/screwdriver: the transducerized screwdriving tool to be used with the KDU control unit

Transducer: electronic component installed inside the KDS screwdriver which measures the torque in real time

Tightening: the screwdriving cycle, from start (pressing of the lever or initiating remote lever control), to finish (automatic motor stop or lever or remote lever control release, whichever happens first)

Rundown: the portion of the tightening cycle before reaching the seating point (the point where the screw or bolt head touches the assembly)

Seating point: the point of the tightening at which the head of the fastener touches the assembly, marked by an increase in the torque rate (steeper torque-angle slope) and marking the end of the rundown phase.

Torque: rotational force

Closing torque: the last torque value measured when the screwdriver motor stopped or when the screwdriver lever or remote lever control was released.

PV/Running torque: the peak or average torque value encountered during the rundown phase, before reaching the seating point.

Clamping torque: the closing torque minus the running torque. This is, theoretically, the only portion of the closing torque that generates a clamping force from the fastener.

Target torque: the closing torque that the system will target (torque control mode only), resulting in a "Screw OK" result if successful. In Running Torque – Compensate mode, the system targets a **Clamping torque** equal to the target torque, instead of a closing torque.

Max power phase: an optional phase of the tightening during which the applied torque is allowed to reach the maximum torque achievable by the screwdriver.

Torque control mode: a tightening where the screwdriver motor automatically stops upon reaching the target torque

Angle: the revolutions of the tip of the screwdriver, in degrees. The starting point of the angle measurement depends on the settings chosen.

Target angle: the angle measurement upon which the screwdriver motor will stop (angle control mode only), resulting in an “Angle OK” result if successful

Angle control mode: a tightening where the screwdriver motor automatically stops upon reaching the target angle

Run time: the duration of the tightening, in seconds

Run time mode: a tightening where the screwdriver motor automatically stops at the desired run time

Program/batch: a set of one or more screws sharing the same parameters (torque, angle, speed, barcode, etc)

Program number: the identifier of one of the 64 configurable programs (1 to 64)

Current program: the program currently selected for tightening

Program mode: in this mode, the unit works according the selected program

Sequence/Job: an ordered set of up to 16 programs, with the option to define how to transition between programs

Sequence letter/number: the identifier of one of the 8 configurable sequences (A to H)

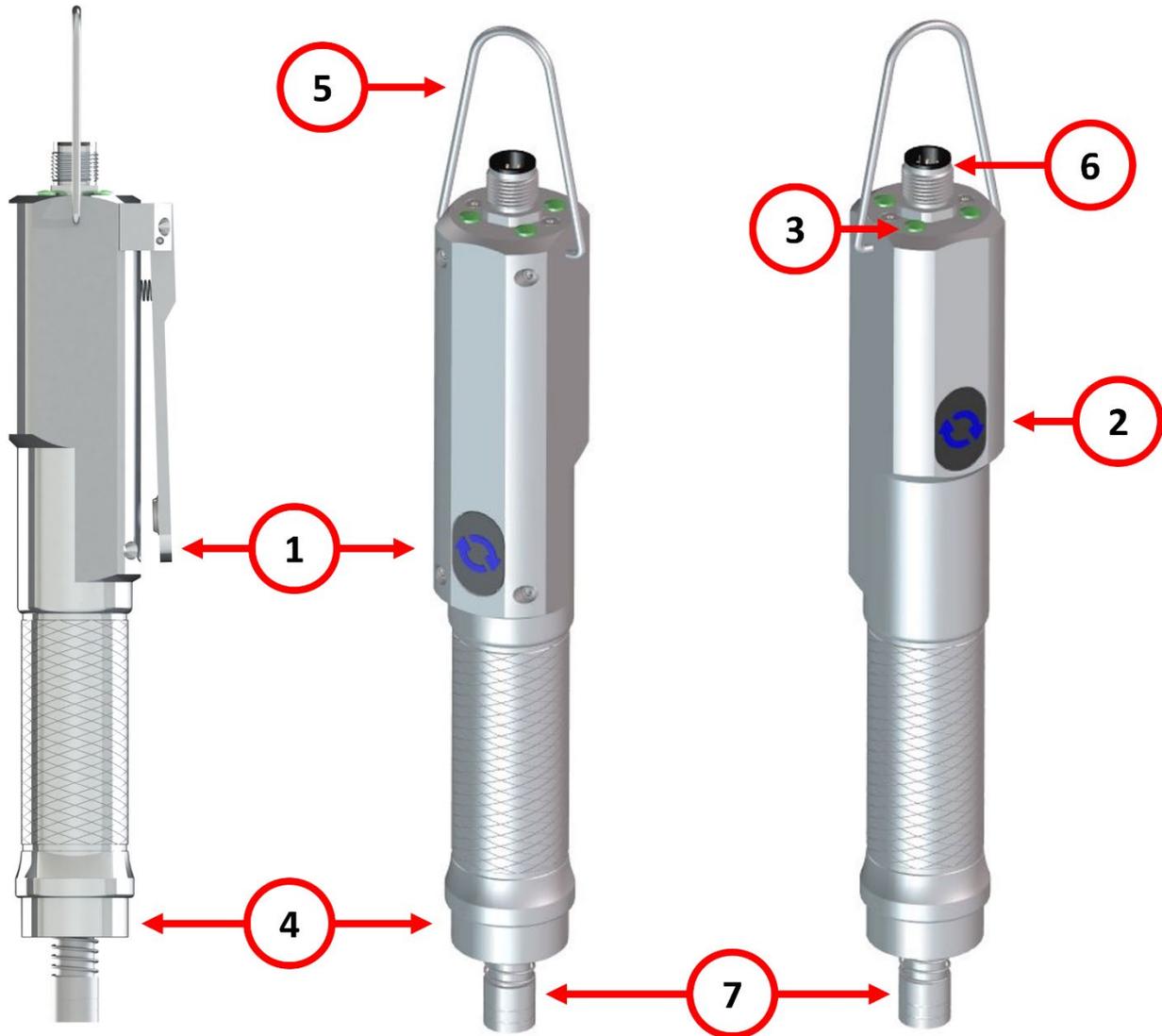
Current sequence: the sequence currently selected for tightening

Sequence mode: in this mode, the unit works according to the selected sequence

OK/NOK: the result of the tightening. OK: tightening finished respecting all of the configured parameters. NOK: tightening finished without respecting one or more of the configured parameters.

PV / Running torque mode: an optional phase of the tightening during which the peak or average torque value is measured, and then added to the torque target in real time for the current tightening.

OPERATING THE KDS SCREWDRIVER



Warning: Kolver strongly recommends using a reaction arm when applying torques lower than 0.30 Nm, to improve the precision of the torque applied by eliminating any effect and impulse from the operator's wrist.

(1) Lever

Press and hold the lever to initiate a tightening.

The screwdriver will automatically stop according to the configured program, in either an OK or a NOK state, depending on the success of the tightening.

The screwdriver will also stop if the lever is released in the middle of the tightening, and either return to the READY state or raise the NOK state if the LEVER ERROR option is active for the current program (Programs menu > Other > [LEVER ERROR](#)).

Note: KDS series screwdrivers sizes 20Nm and above provide a "START" button instead of a lever. The functionality remains the same.

(2) Reverse button

Press and hold the button to initiate a defix run, rotating in the opposite direction of the selected direction of rotation for the lever (see Programs menu > Other > [ROTATION](#)). The behavior of the reverse button can be changed from the general settings menu (General Settings > [REVERSE BUTTON](#)).

(3) LEDs

The two LEDs indicate the state of the screwdriver:

	Blinking white: the screwdriver was just connected to the K-DUCER control unit
	Off: the screwdriver is ready, or the screwdriver is not connected
	Solid green: the last screw result was OK
	Solid red: the last screw result was NOK
	Solid blue: screwdriver is running in the tightening direction, either via the lever or via remote control
	Solid purple: the screwdriver is running in the de-fix direction, either via the reverse button, or via remote control
	Blinking purple: the reverse button is in switch mode and is activated. The screwdriver is ready to run in de-fix rotation via the main lever.

(4) Reaction arm connections

Recommended reaction arm installation area. With KDS-NT screwdrivers with metal housings, you may fix the reaction arm elsewhere, with special care to not clamp the tool with excessive force so as to avoid any bending forces on the body.

(5) Hanging hook

To hang the screwdriver to a tool balancer somewhere easily accessible in the operator’s workbench.

(6) Female connector

To connect the screwdriver to the KDU-NT control unit.

(7) Bit Holder

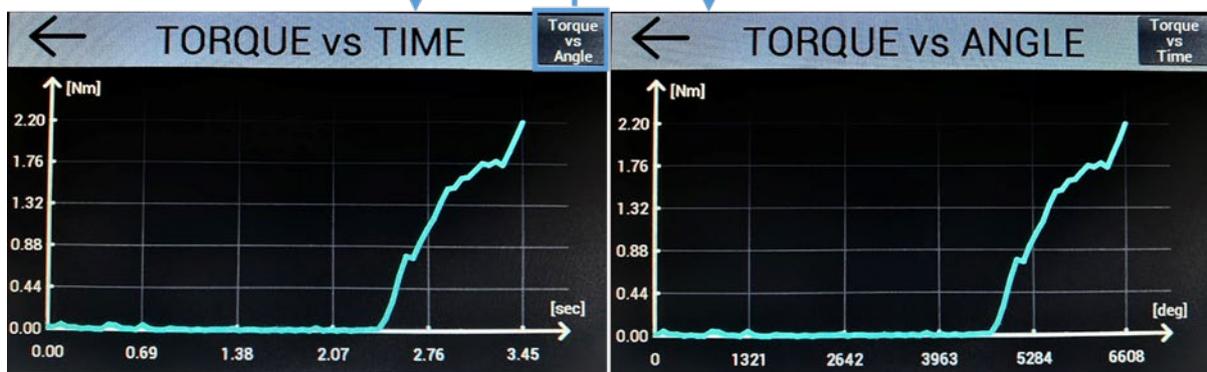
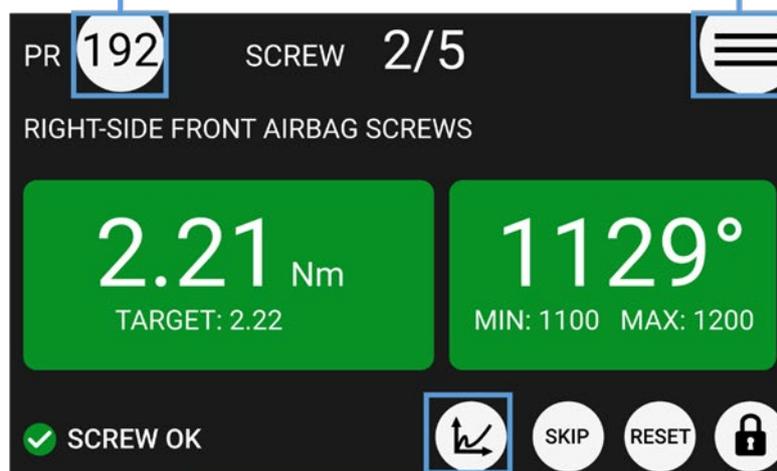
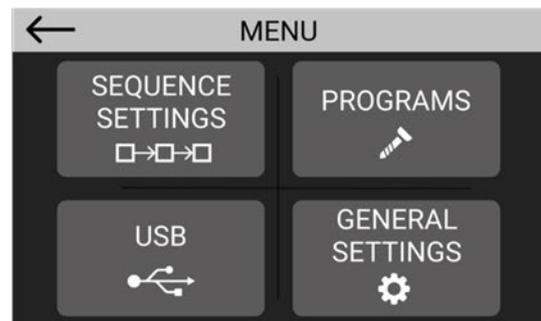
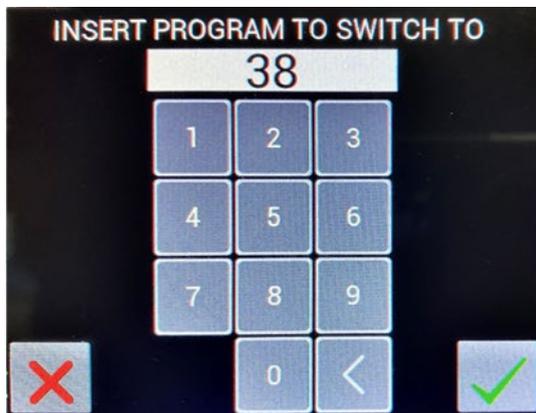
1/4" Hex spring-loaded power-tool bit holder (non /HM models only)

Half-moon spring-loaded power-tool bit holder (/HM models only)

Push the outer cylinder in towards the screwdriver to release the lock to insert or remove the desired bit.

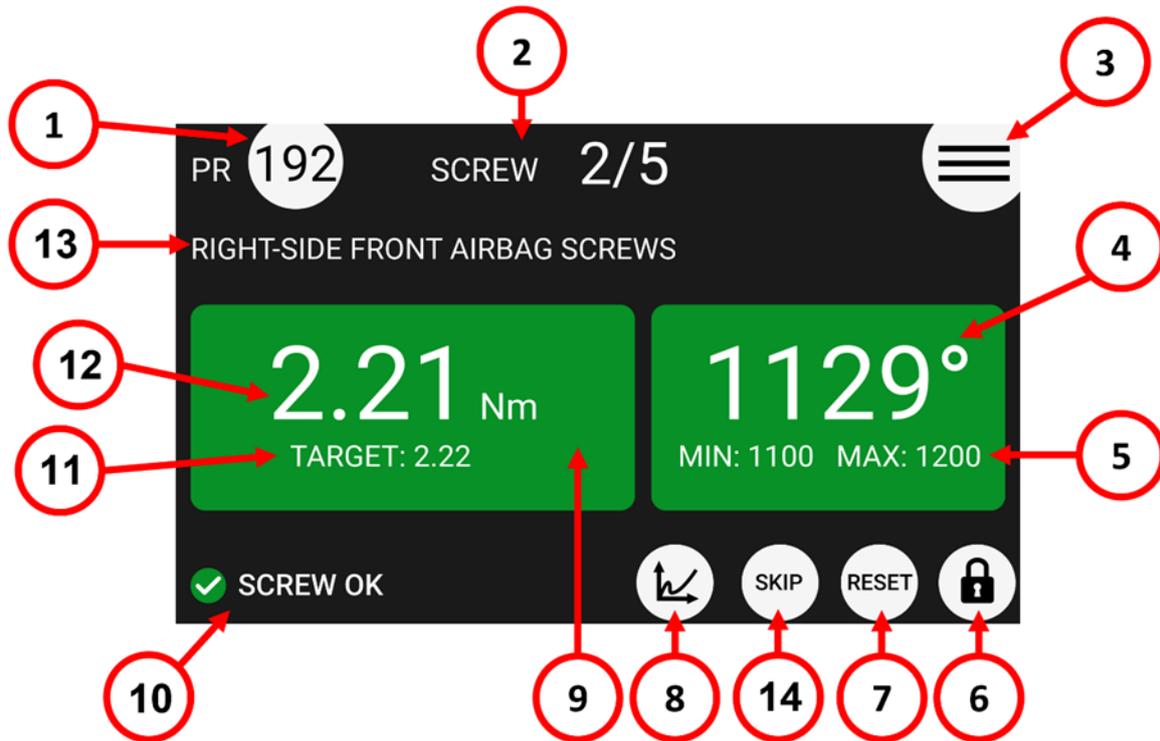
OPERATING THE K-DUCER CONTROL UNIT

Main Screen – Program Mode – navigation tree



(see [Torque and Angle graphing](#) for more information)

Main Screen – Program Mode



(1) Program (“PR”) number currently selected

Touch to select a different program (1 through 64).

(2) Screw count

Counter: screws successfully completed / number of screws in current program

Note: does not appear if NUMBER OF SCREWS parameter is set to zero. Number of screws is also referred to as “batch size” in the industry.

(3) Main Menu Button (≡)

Tap to enter the main menu

(4) Angle value

Measured angle value for last screw, in degrees.

(5) Angle target / bounds

Shows the target angle when in angle control mode, or the min/max angle bounds when in torque control mode or timed tightening mode, for the current program, in degrees.

(6) Menu lock status

White background means no password is required to access the configuration menu.

Red background means the configuration menu is password protected.

(7) Reset (“RST”) button

Screw/Program/Sequence Reset (“RST”) button. Presence and function of this button depend on the corresponding settings in the GENERAL SETTINGS menu.

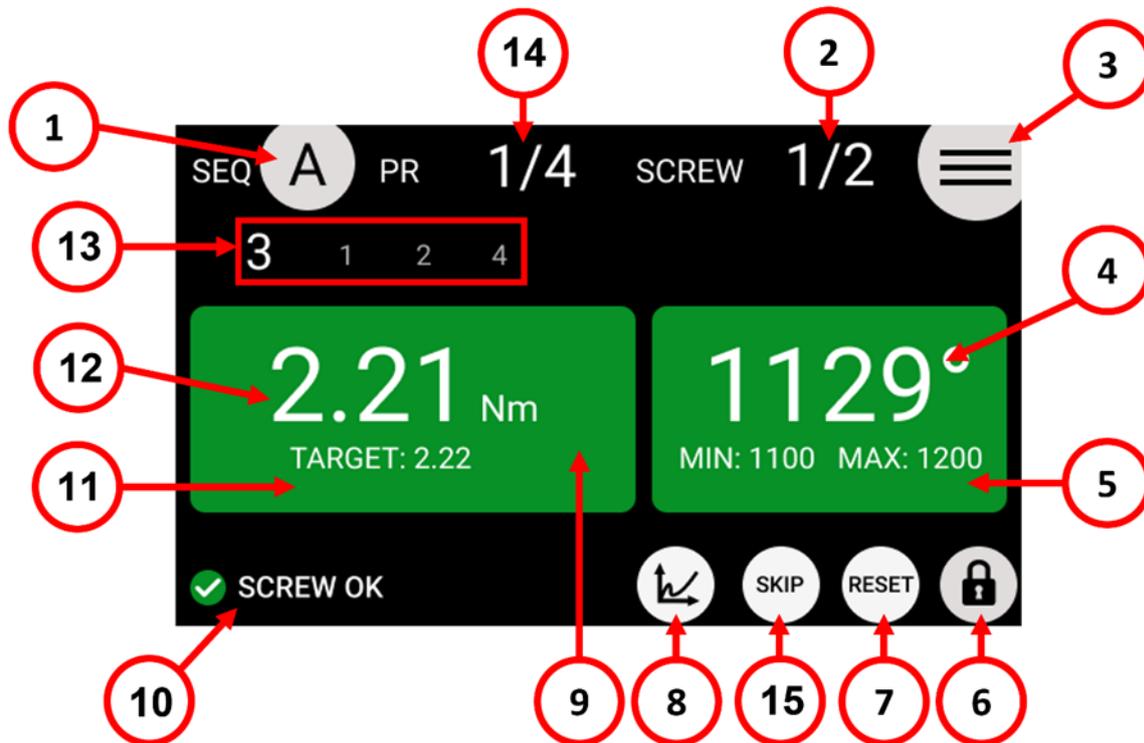
- (8) Torque charts**
Tap to display the Torque-time and torque-angle charts for last screw. Refer to [Torque and Angle graphing](#) for usage.
- (9) Torque measurement unit**
You can select a different unit from the GENERAL SETTINGS menu.
- (10) Status bar**
Shows the last screw result or error messages (ready, screw OK, screw NOK, errors).
- (11) Torque target / bounds**
Shows the target torque when in torque control mode, or the min/max torque bounds when in angle control mode or timed tightening mode, for the current program.
- (12) Torque value**
Measured torque value applied to the last screw.
- (13) Program description**
Shows the description for the current program. You can enter a description for the current program via Programs Menu > Other > [DESCRIPTION](#).
- (14) Skip button**
Screw skip button, tap to increase the screw count by 1. Presence and function of this button depend on the corresponding settings in the GENERAL SETTINGS menu.

Main Screen – Sequence Mode – navigation tree



(see [Torque and Angle graphing](#) for more information)

Main Screen – Sequence Mode



(1) Sequence (“SEQ”) currently selected

Touch to select a different sequence (A through H).

(2) Screw count

Counter: screws successfully completed / number of screws in current program

Note: does not appear if NUMBER OF SCREWS parameter is set to zero. Number of screws is also referred to as “batch size” in the industry.

(3) Main Menu Button (≡)

Tap to enter the main menu

(4) Angle value

Measured angle value for last screw, in degrees.

(5) Angle target / bounds

Shows the target angle when in angle control mode, or the min/max angle bounds when in torque control mode or timed tightening mode, for the current program, in degrees.

(6) Menu lock status

White background means no password is required to access the configuration menu.

Red background means the configuration menu is password protected.

(7) Reset (“RST”) button

Screw/Program/Sequence Reset (“RST”) button. Presence and function of this button depend on the corresponding settings in the GENERAL SETTINGS menu.

- (8) Torque charts**
Tap to display the Torque-time and torque-angle charts for last screw. Refer to [Torque and Angle graphing](#) for usage.
- (9) Torque measurement unit**
You can select a different unit from the GENERAL SETTINGS menu.
- (10) Status bar**
Shows the last screw result or error messages (ready, screw OK, screw NOK, errors).
- (11) Torque target / bounds**
Shows the target torque when in torque control mode, or the min/max torque bounds when in angle control mode or timed tightening mode, for the current program.
- (12) Torque value**
Measured torque value applied to the last screw.
- (13) Current and next program numbers in sequence**
Shows the current program loaded in the sequence in larger font, and the following program numbers in the sequence.
- (14) Program count**
Counter: programs successfully completed / number of programs in current sequence
- (15) Skip button**
Screw skip button, tap to increase the screw count by 1. Presence and function of this button depend on the corresponding settings in the GENERAL SETTINGS menu.

Torque and Angle graphing

The K-DUCER offers a powerful torque and angle graphing functionality, which can be used to study the characteristics of your fastening joint and optimize the [PROGRAMS menu](#) settings to maximize precision while minimizing assembly cycle time.

The Torque and Angle graphing data for each tightening can also be saved with the screwdriving results, refer to the [Retrieving and storing the screwdriving results](#) section for more information.

Visualizing the Torque and Angle charts

To open the Torque and Angle graph screen, simply tap the graph icon on the bottom right of the screen, after a tightening.

To switch between the “Torque vs Time” and the “Torque vs Angle” graph, tap on the button on the top right of the graph screen.

You can only visualize the graph corresponding to the last tightening, however, the torque and angle graphing for each tightening can be automatically stored to a USB drive or to a networked PC as described in the [Retrieving and storing the screwdriving results](#) section.



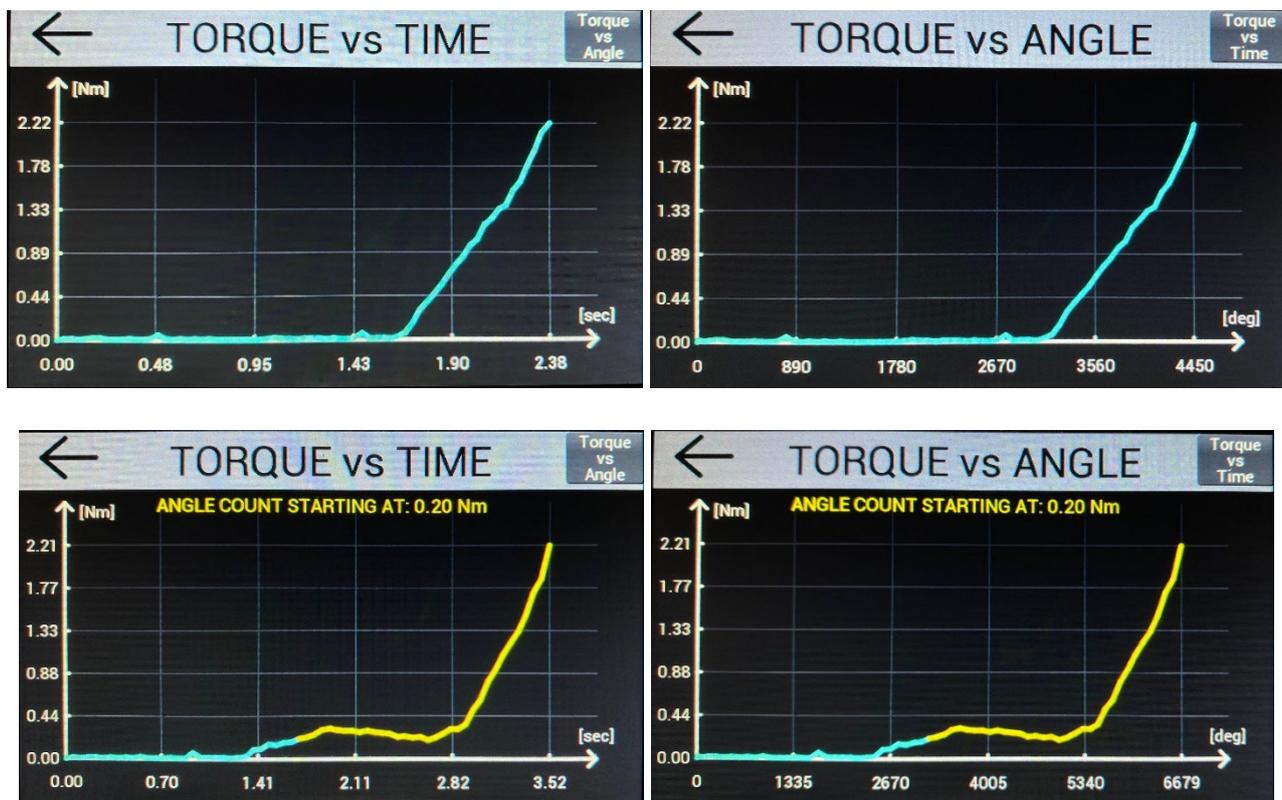
Interpreting the Torque and Angle charts

The “Torque vs Time” graph shows the torque measured by the screwdriver starting from the moment the lever is pressed (or a remote-lever command is received) up to the moment the tightening finishes correctly in an error condition (such as “Torque Over Max”).

The Y-Axis represents the torque data, in the [MEASUREMENT UNITS](#) selected. The X-Axis represents the time, in seconds, or, in the case of the Torque vs Angle chart, the **angle of revolution**, in degrees, always starting from the moment that the lever is pressed and ending at the moment the tightening finished.

The maximum Y-Axis tick shown on the Y-Axis always corresponds to the **maximum torque** measured during the tightening. In those situations where the **maximum torque** is not equal to the **final torque**, the **final torque** value will be annotated next to the final point of the torque graph.

When the Angle Count [STARTING AT](#) setting is set to “Ext” or to a non-zero Torque Threshold, the torque graph will change color and the **torque** value at which the angle count was triggered will be displayed on the screen.



The graphs illustrated here were produced with a KDS-PL6/ESD screwdriver running on Kolver joint simulator (part number 240600) arranged in the semi-elastic configuration. We supplied additional hand-resistance to generate the “starting at” threshold.

Torque and Angle charts with Prevailing / Running Torque

When utilizing the [PV / RUNNING TORQUE](#) feature, the graph will highlight the Running Torque [WINDOW](#) in purple.

The average or peak running torque value will also be displayed on the screen, depending on the selected setting.

The total torque value will be highlighted on the graph, next to the final point of the torque trace, and the “clamping torque” will be displayed in green (for OK results) or in red (for NOK results) as well.

The “clamping torque” in this case refers to the total torque minus the running torque value.

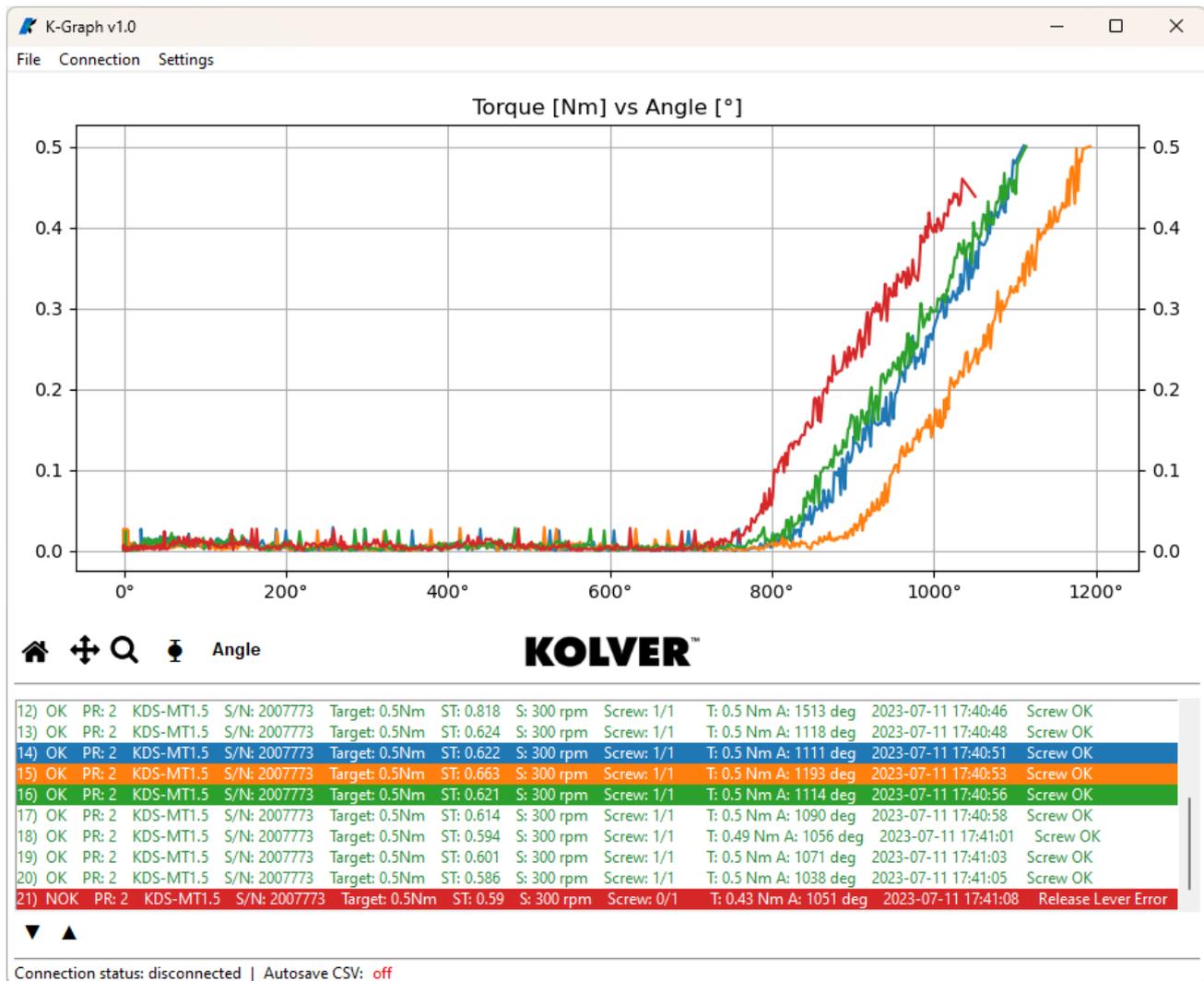
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Generating the Torque and Angle graphs from CSV data

The easiest way to visualize the graphs saved in CSV format by the KDU controller on the USB drive, is to open the file using the free K-Graph software available at kolver.com. Simply open the CSV file via the “File” menu on the program:



To create the graphs in Excel or other spreadsheet program:

Open the CSV file. Each tightening result is split into four lines: the result line, which is matched to the header fields on the first row; the angle graph series line, the torque graph series line, and the time graph series line.

The first column of each line indicates the contents of that line. The second column indicates the **Tightening ID**, which will be identical for the four lines comprising a single result. On the angle, time, and torque chart lines, the actual data series begins on column 3. Simply take the transpose of the torque graph and plot it against the transpose of the time graph or angle graph to generate the torque vs angle and torque vs time graphs.

Determining the joint type

Understanding the characteristics of your joint type is critical to maximize the precision of the K-DUCER system, minimize the wear-and-tear on the tool, and minimize the assembly cycle time for your application.

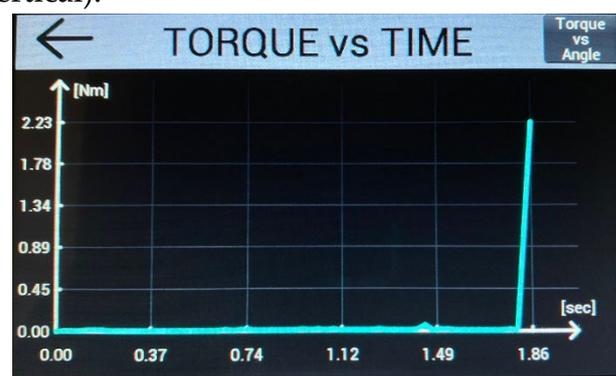
According to the ISO standard 205393:2017, the types of joints found in practice will fall in between these two “extreme” definitions:

1. Soft, elastic, low torque-rate joint: after the fastener is seated, the tightening reaches its target torque in more than one full revolution ($> 360^\circ$).
Examples: plastic screws; fasteners with split washers; self-threading fasteners.
2. Hard joint, inelastic joint, or high torque-rate joint: after the fastener is seated, the tightening reaches its target torque in a fraction of a revolution ($< 30^\circ$).
Examples: metal screws on metal socket with simple washer.

Seating indicates the point at which the underside of the screw or bolt **head** touches the socket, after the rundown phase.

A simple approach to determine the joint type is to perform a tightening of your fastener with the K-DUCER and observe the slope of the Torque vs Time graph.

A soft joint will show a moderate slope from the seating point to the final torque, while a hard joint will show a very high slope (almost vertical).



Left picture: Torque vs Time graph for a soft joint, generated using a KDS-PL6/ESD on Kolver joint simulator 240600.

Right picture: Torque vs Time graph for a hard joint, generated using a KDS-PL6/ESD on a metal screw with non-locking washer on a threaded metal socket.

Also refer to the [SELECTING THE APPROPRIATE SETTINGS](#) section.

Determining the appropriate program settings

The K-DUCER-NT is a highly accurate system, but it is critically important to select the appropriate settings to ensure that the desired torque is correctly applied, and that the screwdriver motor works effectively and efficiently.

Determining the appropriate program settings for your application requires careful consideration and is ideally done by a trained engineer with knowledge of the torque specifications and of the mechanical characteristics of the assembly joint.

Please take advantage of the free support provided by your Kolver representative throughout this process.

The KDS-NT screwdrivers can reach higher torque on hard joints compared to soft joints.

Note: Attempting to tighten soft joints above 70 cNm (KDS-NT70) or 120 cNm (KDS-NT120) may result in an error message during the tightening. In extreme cases, the KDU-NT controller may shut off to prevent damage to internal components. If this occurs, switch off the power to allow the unit to cool down for at least 5 minutes.

Hard/inelastic joints

Always use downshift with hard joints, even if you do not need a fast rundown speed. The downshift threshold should be high enough that it only engages at the seating point of the screw, but low enough that you always feel the screwdriver stopping and re-starting before reaching the final torque.

Model	Torque target	Downshift	Downshift RPM	Downshift AT	Final Speed
KDS-NT70	Uto 90 cNm	ON	100 - 700	20-50% of torque target	100
KDS-NT120	Up to 140 cNm		60 - 400		60

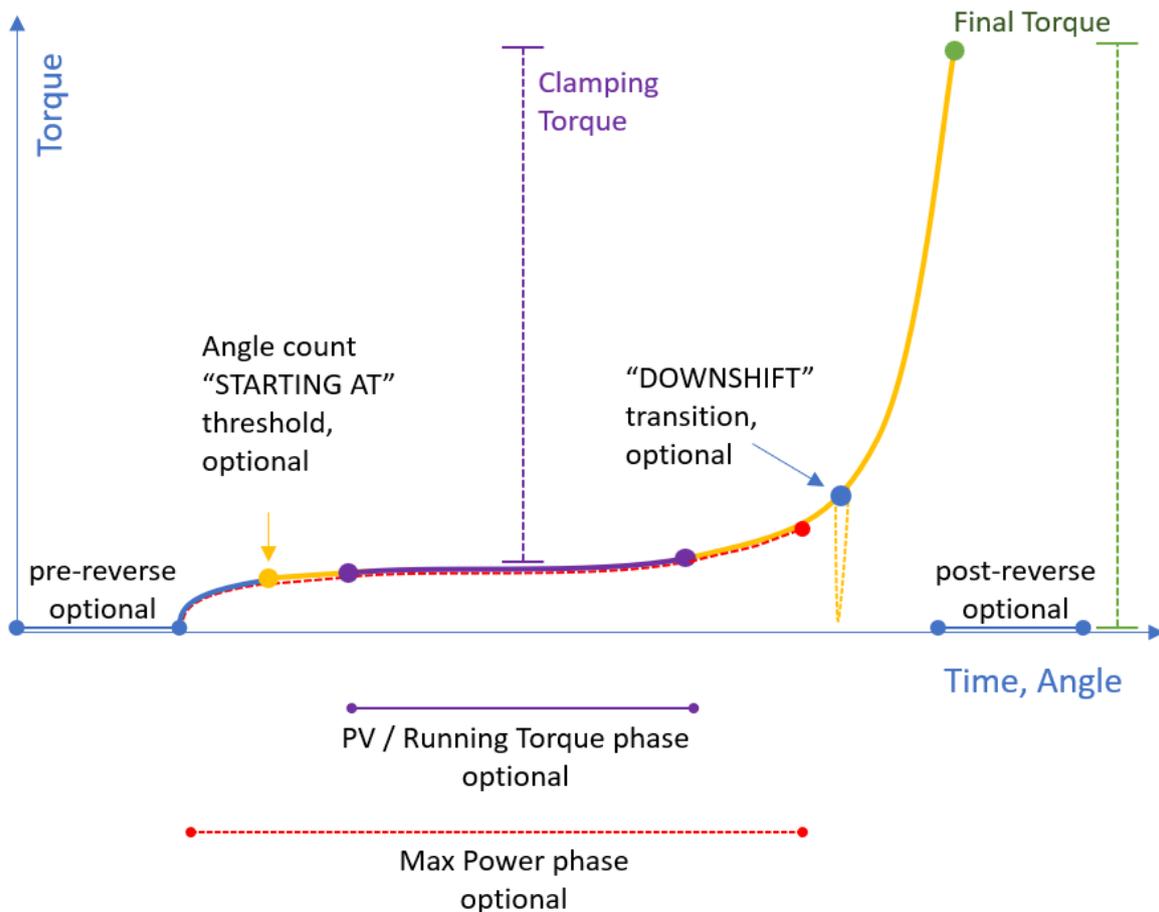
Duty cycles above 30 screws per minute may not be achievable for torques above 70 cNm (KDS-NT70) and 120 cNm (KDS-NT120)

Soft/elastic joints

With elastic joints, downshift may not be necessary and may be detrimental to the performance of the tool. The maximum speed should also be lower for best results.

Model	Torque target	Downshift	Downshift and Final Speeds
KDS-NT70	Uto 70 cNm	Application dependent	50 - 500 RPM
KDS-NT120	Up to 120 cNm		30 - 250 RPM

Screwdriving Phases



● All colored circles in the diagram above represent configurable targets or thresholds.

Phase	Speed	Halting Torque	Halting Angle
Pre-reverse	Reverse speed	Reverse Torque	Pre-reverse setting
Prevailing Torque	Tightening speed*	Highest torque achievable by KDS screwdriver	Max angle (TC) Target angle (AC)
Running Torque	Tightening speed*	Target torque (TC) Max torque (AC)	Max angle (TC) Target angle (AC)
Tightening	Tightening speed*	Target torque** (TC) Max torque (AC)	Max angle (TC) Target angle (AC)
Post-reverse	Reverse speed	Reverse Torque	Post-reverse setting

TC = Torque Control Mode (i.e., Torque Targeting Mode)

AC = Angle Control Mode (i.e., Angle Targeting Mode)

* the tightening speed is equal to the [FINAL SPEED](#) after the Downshift threshold or if the [DOWNSHIFT](#) function is OFF, otherwise it is equal the DOWNSHIFT RPM setting

** plus the running torque value, if Running Torque Compensate mode is enabled

Retrieving and storing the screwdriving results

There are several ways to store and retrieve the results and torque/angle graphs of each tightening:

Via MODBUS TCP (CN1)

Refer to the [MODBUS TCP](#) section. Kolver also provides ready-to-use Python, C#, and PowerShell scripts to retrieve and save the screwdriving results that can be run on a PC computer or server, included in the [MODBUS TCP code examples and literature](#) packet.

Via free Kolver software (mini-USB or CN1)

Refer to the [FREE K-EXPAND, K-LINK, AND K-GRAPH SOFTWARE](#) section.

On USB flash drive (USB-A)

Simply connect a FAT32-formatted USB drive on the USB-A connector. The K-DUCER will create a folder named as the serial number of the connected screwdriver.

Inside this folder, the K-DUCER will save the results of each tightening inside a CSV file. The name of the file will be the date (YYMMDD) of the first tightening contained, and a new file will be created for each day.

Use a spreadsheet program or the free K-Graph software to visualize the CSV results ([FREE K-EXPAND, K-LINK, AND K-GRAPH SOFTWARE](#)).

Via serial printer or serial terminal (CN2 or CN4)

You can connect to CN2/CN4 with a serial printer (for example Kolver model PRNTR1) or with any serial terminals, for example Hyper Terminal, Realterm, or K-Expand for PC, to print the results of each tightening.

The print string is transmitted at the end of each tightening if the [SERIAL PRINT](#) setting is enabled for the active tightening program. The serial connection parameters must be:

RS232 – 9600 baud – 8 data bits – 1 stop bit – no parity

Data format for the screwdriving results (CSV files)

Section	Description
Row contents	Row contents. Results, Angle Chart, or Torque Chart
Tightening ID	A number to identify matching Results, Angle Chart, and Torque Chart rows associated with the same result.
Barcode	Printout of the scanned barcode. In dual barcode modes, only the serial number barcode is printed.
Result	OK or NOK depending if tightening completed respecting the configured parameters
Program	The program number used for the tightening
Program Description	The program description
Model	The screwdriver model used for the tightening
Serial Nr	The serial number of the screwdriver
Target	The target torque or angle value
Target units	The measurement units of the target value
Duration	The duration of the tightening in seconds
Final Speed	The closing speed of the tightening
OK Screw count	Number of successfully tightened screws inclusive of the last one. Does not increment for NOK screw results.
Number of screws	Total number of screws in program
Sequence	Current sequence
Seq. program index	Positional index of the current program within the sequence (1 to 16)
Seq. program qty	Total number of programs within the current sequence (1 to 16)
Torque result	Final torque of the tightening. Note: with "running torque", this value corresponds to the "clamping torque", and not to the total final torque.
Peak Torque	The maximum torque measured at any point during the tightening
Running Torque Mode	0 = Off, 1 = Time Window with Average Value, 2 = Time Window with Peak Value, 3 = Angle Window with Average Value, 4 = Angle Window with Peak Value. 5-8: same as 1-4, for Monitoring mode.
Running Torque	Average or peak running torque value calculated during the tightening
Total torque	Final total torque. For tightening with running torque mode on, this equals the "final torque" ("clamping torque") value plus the calculated "running torque" value.
Angle result	Final angle of the tightening, in accordance with the "angle start at" setting.
Angle start at mode	0 = Lever, 1 = External Input, 2 = Torque Threshold

Angle start at torque target	Torque target for "Angle start at mode" = 2
Angle start at angle value	Rotational angle, starting from the moment the lever was pressed, at which the angle count started, for "Angle start at mode" = 1 or = 2
Downshift Mode	0 = Off, 1 = Torque Threshold, 2 = Angle Threshold
Downshift Speed	Initial speed of the tightening (rundown speed)
Downshift Threshold	Torque or angle threshold, for "Downshift Mode" = 1 or = 2
Torque Units	The measurement units for all torque values reported
Angle Units	The measurement units for all angle values reported
Speed Units	The measurement units for all speed values reported
Time Units	The measurement units for all time values reported
Date-time	Date and time at which the tightening ended
Notes or Errors	Notes such as "PROGRAM END" for OK results, or error details such as "Err Angle Max" for NOK results

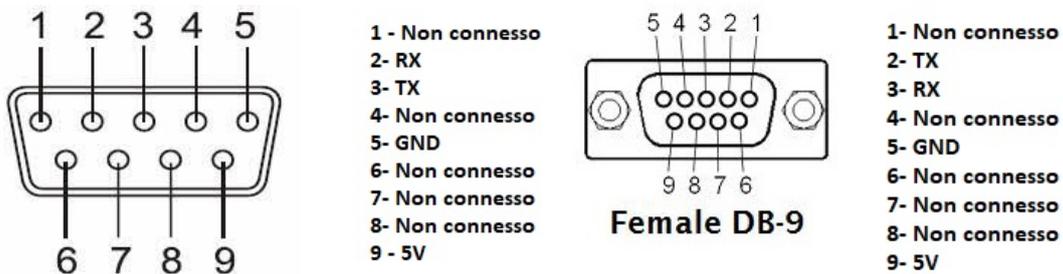
Data format for the screwdriving results (serial transmission)

Section	Description	Example
Barcode	Printout of the scanned barcode. In dual barcode modes, only the serial number barcode is printed.	BC: 7612320103052
Result	OK or NOK depending if tightening completed respecting the configured parameters	OK
Program	The program number used for the tightening	PR: 8
Model	The screwdriver model used for the tightening	KDS-PL10
Serial Nr	The serial number of the screwdriver	s/n: 1814914
Target	The target torque or angle	TARGET: 2.0Nm
Screw Time	The duration of the tightening in seconds	ST: 1.23
Speed	The closing speed of the tightening	S: 600rpm
Screw count	Number of <i>successfully</i> tightened screws / total number of screws in program	Screw: 1/8
Sequence	Current sequence and program within sequence (program is positional: current/total)	Seq: 1/3
Torque	Final torque of the tightening	T: 1.99Nm
Angle	Final angle of the tightening	A: 114deg
Date-time	Date time of the tightening	18/01/18 17.44.50

Notes or Errors	Notes such as “PROGRAM END” for OK results, or error details such as “Err Angle Max” for NOK results	PROGRAM END, or Err Angle Max
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For example:

BC: 7612320103052 OK PR: 8 KDS-PL10 s/n: 1814914 TARGET: 2.0Nm ST: 1.23 S:600rpm Screw:1/8 Seq: A 1/1 T: 1.99Nm A: 114deg 18/01/18 17.44.50
 NOK PR:26 KDS-MT1.5 s/n: 1964211 TARGET:10.00lbf.in ST: 10.166 S:300rpm Screw:0/7 Seq:1/1 T: 0.00lbf.in A: 20008deg 20/02/30 11.33.10 Err Angle Max



PIN	NAME	FUNCTION
2	RX	RS232 reception.
3	TX	RS232 transmission.
5	GND	Common to every input. Signals have to be enabled making contact between the desired signal and this pin (GND).
9	+5V	Not used

Connecting a barcode scanner

The K-DUCER is compatible with RS-232 capable barcode scanners such as Kolver P/N 020050 (1D barcode scanner) and 020051 (2D barcode scanner).

It is also possible to connect a USB barcode scanner by purchasing the Kolver USB-to-RS232 adapter P/N 010415.

Any barcode type supported by the scanner will work with the K-DUCER, but the total length of each barcode must be 16 characters or less for PROGRAM and SEQUENCE barcodes, or 63 characters or less for SERIAL NUMBER barcodes.

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Connect the barcode scanner to the CN2 9-pin male serial connector. If using a 2D barcode scanner such as Kolver P/N 020051, or the USB-to-RS232 adapter, you must also connect the included external power supply.

Serial barcode scanners should be configured with the following serial connection parameters:

RS232 – 9600 baud – 8 data bits – 1 stop bit – no parity

For Kolver P/N 020051, this is done by scanning the included configuration barcode.

For other scanners, refer to their user manual.

With Kolver P/N 010415, the settings are applied automatically.

Once connected, select one of the five barcode modes to work with: see [BARCODE MODE](#).

Connecting a bit-tray or switchbox (CBS880, SWBX88)

To utilize the accessories SWBX88 (switchbox) and CBS880 (socket tray) you'll need the M-F serial cable (code 881007) and the KIT KDU ADAPTER WITH SW AND CBS (code 010410). Connect and secure the adapter to the accessory, then the M-F 9-pin cable from the adapter to the CN4 connector on the K-DUCER:



The working mode of these accessories depends on the combination of the following settings:

SEQUENCE toggle - SWBX88/CBS880 - REMOTE PR - REMOTE SEQ

as illustrated in the following tables:

Program Mode (SEQUENCE toggle set to: OFF)	
	SWBX88/CBS880 set to: On Prog *
REMOTE PROG set: SWBX/CBS	The bit lifted from the accessory (1-8) determines the program (1-64) selected on the controller. *
REMOTE PROG set: any other setting	The program selected (1-64) on the controller determines the bit (1-8) that must be lifted on the SWBX/CBS accessory. (* and **)

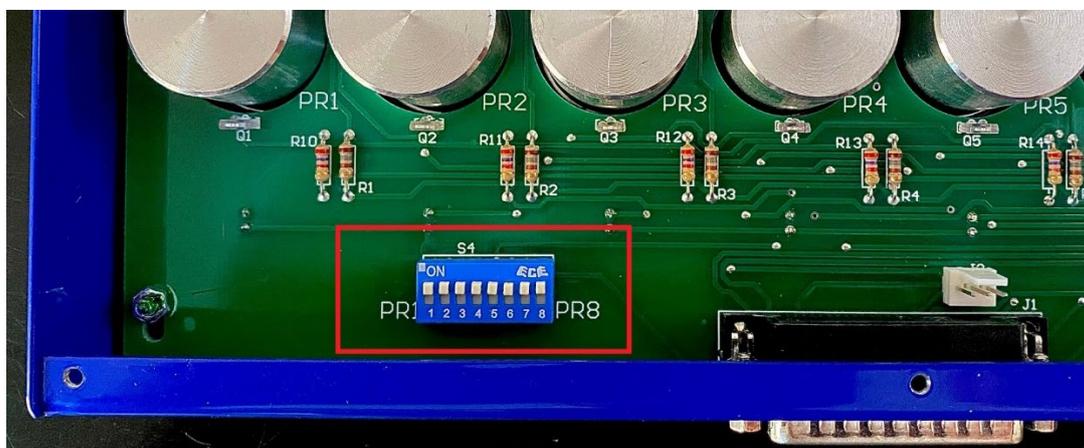
Sequence Mode (SEQUENCE toggle set to: ON)		
	SWBX88/CBS880 set to: On Prog *	SWBX88/CBS880 set to: On Seq
REMOTE SEQ set to: SWBX/CBS	N/A (combination not available)	The bit lifted from the accessory (1-8) determines the sequence (A-H) selected on the controller.
REMOTE SEQ set to: any other setting	The current program within the selected sequence determines the bit that must be lifted on the SWBX/CBS accessory. (* and **)	The sequence selected (A-H) on the controller determines the bit (1-8) that must be lifted on the SWBX/CBS accessory. **

* because the KDU-NT controller supports up to 64 programs and the SWBX/CBS accessories only have 8 slots, when using the SWBX88/CBS880 setting On Prog , you must register the desired SWBX/CBS slot(s) 1-8 to the desired program(s) 1-64 from the Programs > Other > SWBX88/CBS880 setting. If no bit is registered for the current program, the controller will remain locked and display an error message.

** The corresponding LED on the accessory will flash until the bit is lifted. The controller will remain locked and display an error message until only the correct is lifted.

If at any time: no bits are lifted, or more than one bit is lifted, or if REMOTE PR/SEQ is set to SWBX/CBS and an incorrect bit is lifted, the controller will remain locked.

Note: if you use less than 8 sockets with the CBS880 accessory, it is recommended to physically disable the unused sockets by turning off the corresponding DIP switches inside the CBS880 accessory, shown in the picture below. Refer to the CBS880 product manual for more information.



CONFIGURING THE K-DUCER

ADVANCED TORQUE CONTROL STRATEGIES

Certain applications may require the use of tightening strategies more advanced than target torque or angle control.

For these applications, the K-DUCER offers Sequential Torque and Angle Control, PV / Running Torque (Compensate and Monitor), Max Power Phase, and multi-step program options. These terms are defined in the [TERMINOLOGY](#) section.

These strategies are disabled by default, and if your application does not require them, you may skip this section.

SEQUENTIAL TORQUE AND ANGLE CONTROL

Note: please familiarize yourself with the “Torque Control and Angle Monitoring” and “Angle Control and Torque Monitoring” ([TORQUE & ANGLE menu](#)) before embarking on this section.

Sequential Torque and Angle Control is a strategy where, as part of a single tightening, the screwdriver first targets a torque, and, after reaching it, rotates for a specified number of degrees (target angle).

For example, you can program the driver to tighten to 20 lbf-in, and then rotate for an additional 180° degrees, all seamlessly and as part of the same program.

To do this, in the ([TORQUE & ANGLE menu](#)):

- set the [ANGLE CONTROL / TORQUE MONITORING flag](#) to “Angle Control and Torque Monitoring”
- set the [TARGET Angle](#) to the number of degrees to rotate for **after** reaching the threshold torque. Set the Min/Max angle error bounds accordingly, if desired.
- set the Torque Min/Max error bounds, if desired. These will be the error bounds on the torque value reached at the very end of the tightening, **after** the target angle has been reached. The final torque will typically be higher than the initial torque target.
- set the [STARTING AT](#) parameter to the Torque value that you want to target for the first phase of the rundown, **before** switching to the angle targeting mode

Make sure to follow the [Determining the appropriate program settings](#) guidance, adding a downshift threshold if necessary. This is especially important for low target angle values and/or hard joints!

PV / RUNNING TORQUE

Use PV / Running torque **Compensate** mode to apply the **clamping torque**, letting the **closing torque** vary according to the **PV / Running torque** encountered and measured during the PV / Running torque window.

The goal in this case is to apply a consistent amount of clamping force on the assembly, as opposed to a consistent amount of **closing torque**.

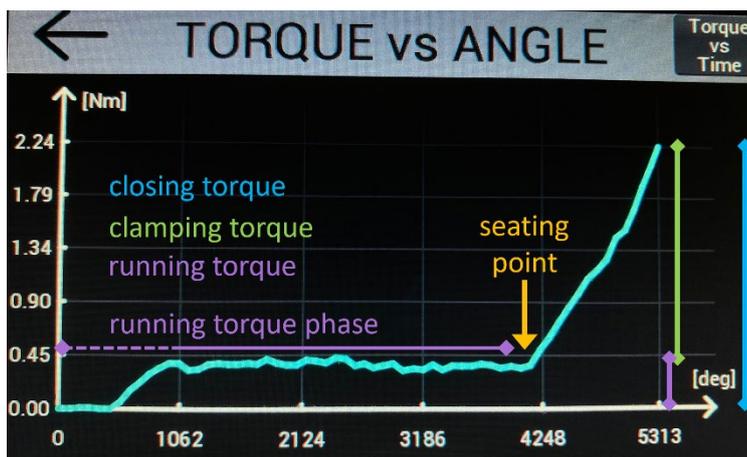
You can also choose to measure and monitor the **PV / Running and clamping torques** without affecting the **closing torque**, via the PV / Running Torque **Monitoring** mode. This is useful, for example, to [detect crossthreading](#).

Seating point determination

First, it is necessary to understand the morphology and torque rate of the joint. Perform a series of at least 10 tightening with a target torque near the maximum closing torque allowed by the application (inclusive of PV / Running torque), without using any PV / Running torque, prevailing torque, or downshift settings. Follow all precautions necessary and note that this may damage the assembly.

Note down the following information from torque and angle graphs and/or graph data provided by the K-DUCER. You can also take advantage of the free K-Expand software to readily analyze the graphs point-by-point.

- Seating point, in terms of both torque and angle, and of their variability
- PV / Running torque



Example

Target torque: 2.22 Nm

Seating point: 4000°

PV / Running torque estimate: 0.3 Nm

(PV / Running torque mode OFF)

Test with PV / Running torque monitoring only

In the [RAMP, TIME, & PV TORQUE menu](#) configure the PV / Running torque [WINDOW](#) by angle (or time), such that it always ends **before** the seating point. Use a window max value of at most the lowest seating angle point identified in the test tightenings.

Select appropriate PV / Running torque MIN-MAX bounds, such that the PV / Running torques measured fall within the bounds, while retaining the ability to detect incorrect values.

Select peak or average [VALUE](#) depending on the requirements of the application and shape of the graph.

If the PV / Running torque slopes upward, it may be appropriate to use the peak value.

If the PV / Running torque oscillates but is generally trending flat, it may be more appropriate to use the average value.

Finally, select monitoring [MODE](#) for a second round of testing without compensating for the PV / Running torque.

Perform another batch of tightenings, and check if the detected PV / Running torque value is the one expected.

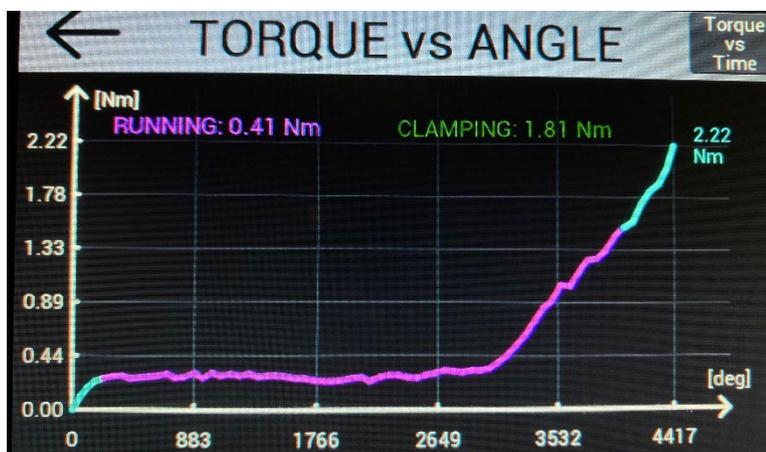


Example

Target torque: 2.22 Nm

PV / Running torque mode:
Average - Monitoring

Window: 270° – 4000°



Example

The PV / Running torque window was incorrect: it extended past the seating point.

Final test with PV / Running torque compensation

After fine-tuning the PV / Running torque detection, switch to compensate [MODE](#). The system will now add the PV / Running torque value measured on each tightening to the target torque.

Perform another batch of tests and analysis to verify the desired result.



Example

Target torque: 2.22 Nm

PV / Running torque mode:
Average - Compensate

Window: 270° – 4000°



Example

Target torque: 0.30 Nm

PV / Running torque mode:
Average - Compensate

Window: 270° – 900°

MAX POWER PHASE

Self-threading applications may require a “Max Power Phase” strategy, if the initial torque required to overcome the self-threading action is higher than the target closing torque.

In the [RAMP, TIME, & PV TORQUE menu](#), activate the “Max Power Phase” with a time or angle value duration counted starting from the time the lever is pressed.

Warning: for the duration of this phase, the screwdriver will only stop if it reaches its maximum torque possible.



A tightening with target torque 0.21 Nm, and “Max Power Phase” for 2.0 seconds. Note how the maximum torque is higher than the final torque. This type of profile is only possible through the “Max Power Phase”, otherwise the tightening would end at roughly the 0.30 seconds mark when first encountering the target torque of 0.21 Nm

CROSSTHREAD DETECTION

To detect cross threading without stripping the fastener, use the following settings:

PV / RUNNING TORQUE: **ANGLE** or **TIME**. Select a window where to detect cross threading.

VALUE: select **PEAK**, so that the screwdriver stops immediately if it encounters the PV / Running torque MAX torque during the PV / Running torque window

MIN - MAX: set **MIN** to zero, and set **MAX** to a torque high enough to disregard normal friction, but low enough to detect cross threading without stripping the screw

MODE: select **Monitoring**, to avoid adding the PV / Running torque value to the torque target

This will make the screwdriver stop at the PV / Running Torque “MAX” value if it is encountered within the set ANGLE or TIME window.

For example, if the target torque is 5 Nm, and the PV / Running Torque “MAX” value is 0.6 Nm, and the driver encounters a torque of 0.6 Nm within the PV/Running Torque WINDOW, it will stop at 0.6 Nm with an error message, without applying the 5 Nm of torque which could damage the assembly when the screw has cross-threaded.

MULTI-STEP AND COMBINED PROGRAMS

To reverse the screwdriver at the beginning of the tightening, or after reaching the closing torque, or to change the direction of tightening, refer to the corresponding options in the [REV & PRE-REV menu](#).

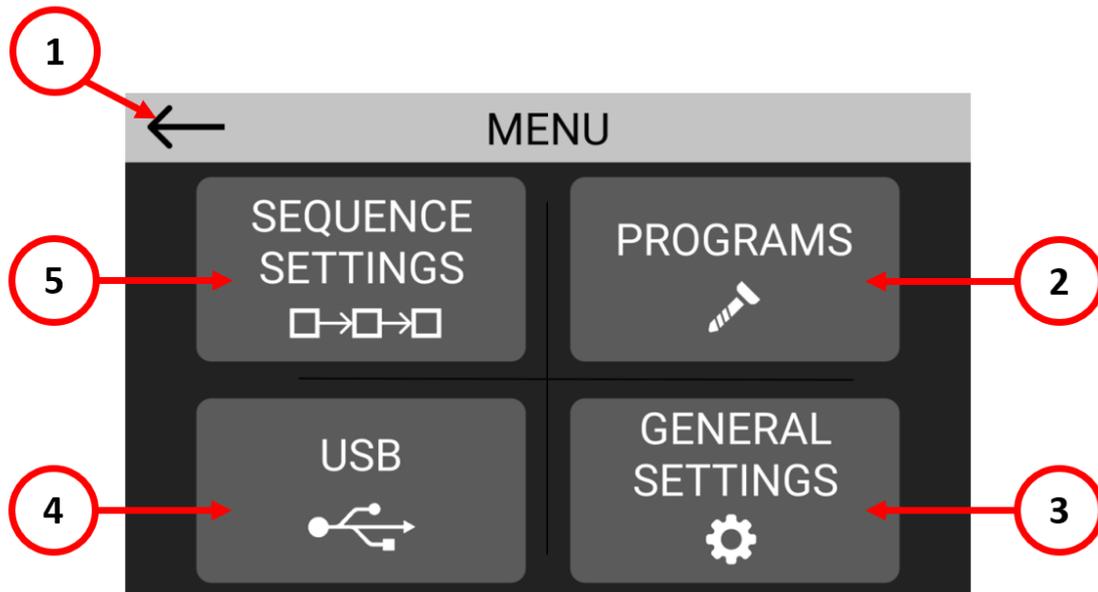
To combine multiple programs in a single tightening, you can configure a sequence with the [Program transition box](#) set to “auto”.

The sequence will then transition between two or more programs automatically while the operator continues to hold the screwdriver lever. The screwdriver will stop momentarily in-between programs. Activate the [LEVER ERROR](#) setting for each program involved to raise an error if the operator stops holding the lever during or in between the programs.

This allows to have multi-program tightening strategies.

MAIN MENU

From the main screen, enter the main menu by tapping on the ☰ button on the top right.



- (1) Touch to return to the main screen.
- (2) Touch to enter the program configuration menu, to configure parameters such as torque, angle, runtime, for each program. You can configure up to 64 different programs.
- (3) Touch to enter the general settings menu, to configure general parameters such as passcode lock, I/O and MODBUS settings, kolver accessories, language, etc.
- (4) Touch to enter the USB menu to save or load settings from a USB drive. Note: if a USB drive is connected, the unit automatically saves all screwdriving results in a text file.
- (5) Touch to enter the sequence configuration menu, to configure a sequence of up to 16 different programs and the type of transition between each program.

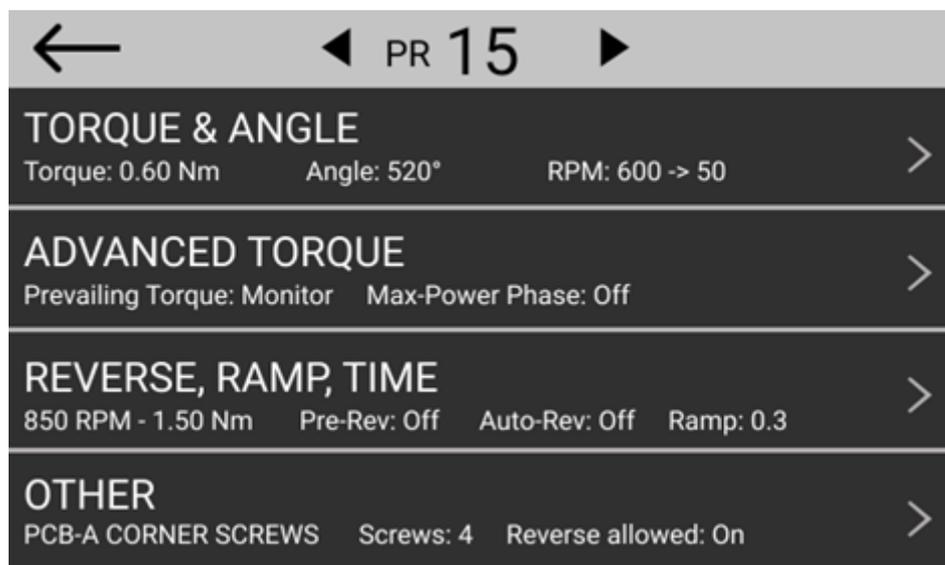
PROGRAMS menu

Programs represent batches of one or more screws sharing the same parameters (torque, angle, speed, etc). With the K-DUCER series, you can define up to 64 different programs as well as assign a barcode to each for automatic selection with a barcode scanner.

Tap the Programs button from the main menu to enter the programs menu.

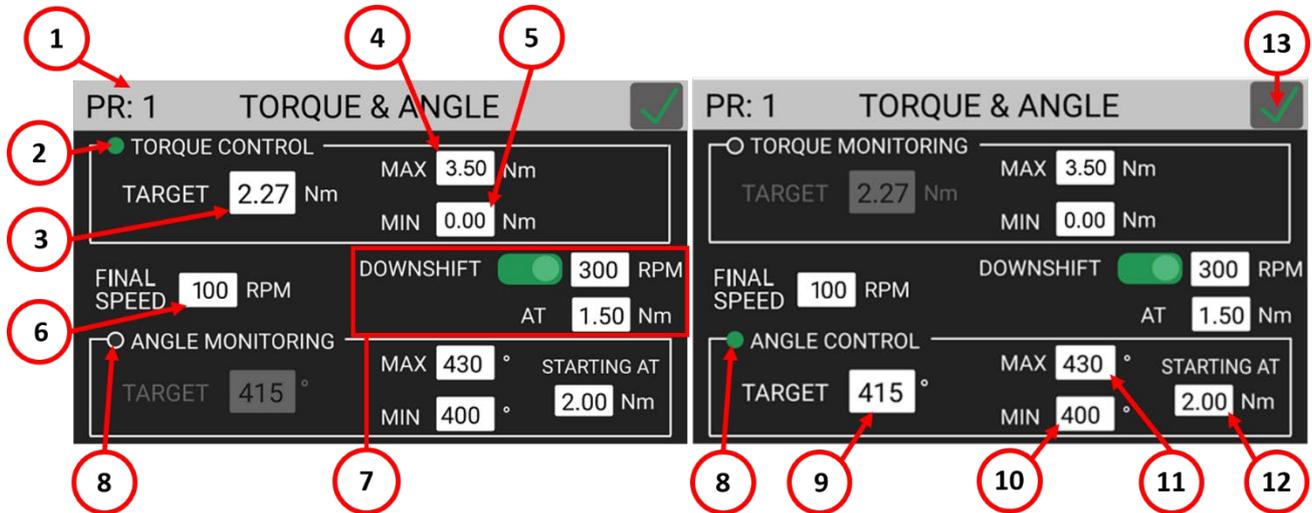
Select one of 64 programs to edit by tapping on the program number or the arrows on the top bar.

Enter one of the four sub-menus to modify the desired parameters for the program selected.



TORQUE & ANGLE menu

Note: carefully choosing the right combination of speed and downshift settings for the application will maximize the precision and lifetime of the tool while minimizing your assembly cycle time. Review the [Determining the appropriate program settings](#) section.



(1) Program Number

Indicates the program that is currently being edited. You can select a different program to edit from the previous screen.

(2) TORQUE CONTROL / ANGLE MONITORING flag

Tap to select Torque Control and Angle Monitoring mode.

In this mode, the screw is tightened down to the target torque, and the angle (the number of revolutions of the screw, in degrees) reached at the target torque is measured. The STARTING AT (12) setting controls the starting point for the angle measurement (at torque threshold, at lever pressed, or at external signal received).

(3) TARGET Torque

Tap to set the target torque. Only available in Torque Control/Angle Monitoring mode. For prevailing torque settings, see the Ramp & Time menu.

Note: continuous use at or over 80% of the screwdriver's nominal torque range is not recommended.

(4) MAX Torque

If the torque measured at the end of the tightening exceeds the MAX Torque value, the tightening will be considered unsuccessful (NOK) and a corresponding error will be raised. Applicable to Torque Control as well as Angle Control modes.

(5) MIN Torque

If the torque measured at the end of the tightening is below the MIN Torque value, the tightening will be considered unsuccessful (NOK) and a corresponding error will be raised. Applicable to Torque Control as well as Angle Control modes.

(6) FINAL SPEED

Tap to select the tightening speed of the screwdriver, in RPM.

If the (7) [DOWNSHIFT](#) function is used, this will be the final tightening speed that the screwdriver will downshift to after the selected “AT” threshold is reached.

For the reverse speed of the screwdriver, see the REV & PRE-REV. Note that you can invert the tightening and untightening directions of rotation via the PROGRAMS > OTHER menu.

(7) [DOWNSHIFT](#)

The DOWNSHIFT function lets you execute the tightening in two phases: a high speed approach (enter the speed in the “RPM” field), followed by a lower (6) [FINAL SPEED](#) after a certain torque or angle threshold is reached.

OFF (red): the screwdriver will run at the (6) [FINAL SPEED](#) for the entire tightening.

ON (green): the screwdriver will run at the entered “RPM” speed until a certain torque or angle is reached (AT torque/angle value), at which point it will downshift to the (6) [FINAL SPEED](#) for the remainder of the tightening.

If using an angle threshold, the angle is counted in accordance with the [STARTING AT](#) setting.

(8) [ANGLE CONTROL / TORQUE MONITORING flag](#)

Tap to select Angle Control and Torque Monitoring mode.

In this mode, the screw is tightened down to the target angle (number of revolutions of the screw, in degrees), while the torque is measured.

(9) [TARGET Angle](#)

Tap to set the target angle. Only available in Angle Control/Torque Monitoring mode.

(10) [MIN Angle](#)

If the angle measured at the end of the tightening is below the MIN Angle value, the tightening will be considered unsuccessful (NOK) and a corresponding error will be raised. Applicable to Torque Control as well as Angle Control modes.

(11) [MAX Angle](#)

If the angle measured at the end of the tightening exceeds the MAX Angle value, the tightening will be considered unsuccessful (NOK) and a corresponding error will be raised. Applicable to Torque Control as well as Angle Control modes.

(12) [STARTING AT](#)

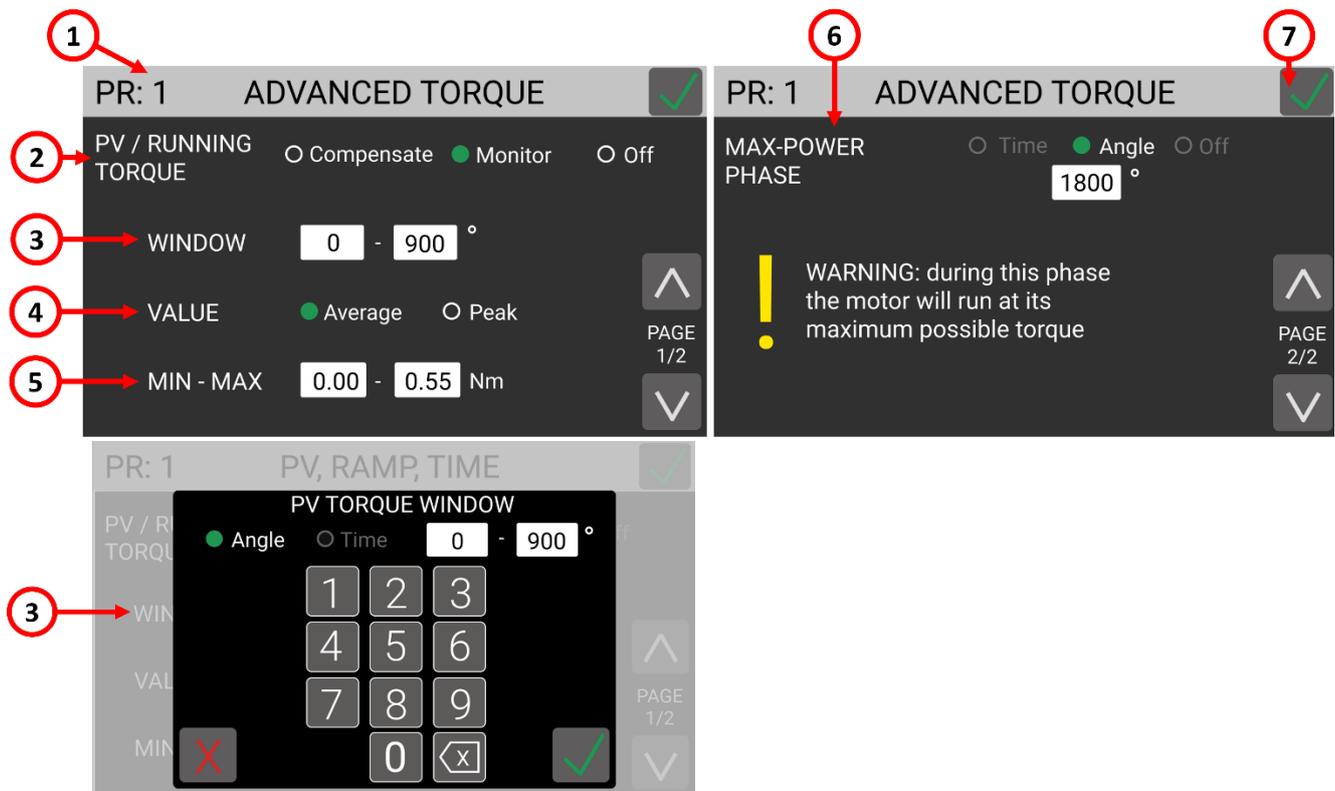
Tap to select the starting point for the angle measurement. Three modes are available:

- **Torque threshold:** the angle measurement starts after the torque reaches this value
- **Lever:** the angle measurement starts as soon as the screwdriver level is pressed
- **Ext In:** the angle measurement starts after the IN-ANG external I/O signal is received

(13) [Exit/Save key](#)

Tap to return to the previous menu and save or discard any changes made.

ADVANCED TORQUE menu



(1) Program number

Indicates the program that is currently being edited. You can select a different program to edit from the previous screen.

(2) PV / RUNNING TORQUE

The RUNNING TORQUE function makes the screwdriver **add (compensate) or monitor** the peak or average torque measured during the set window to the final target torque, in real time. This function is required in select aerospace and helicoil application, where a fixed “clamping torque” is to be applied on top of a variable “running torque” (“friction torque”) encountered during the rundown.

Refer to the [RUNNING TORQUE](#) section for more information.

Off: the function is not active.

Compensate: the running torque value will be added to the [TARGET Torque](#) in real time, to achieve a fixed amount of **clamping torque**.

Monitor: the running torque will only be measured, and the system will target the unmodified [TARGET Torque](#).

(3) WINDOW

Enter the time or angle window during which the running torque will be measured.

Angle: the running torque is measured within the angle window selected, counted in accordance with the [STARTING AT](#) setting.

Time: the running torque is measured within the time window selected, starting from the moment the screwdriver lever (or remote lever command) is pressed.

(4) VALUE

Average: the running torque value will be the average of the torque values measured during the running torque window.

Peak: the running torque value will be the maximum torque value measured during the running torque window.

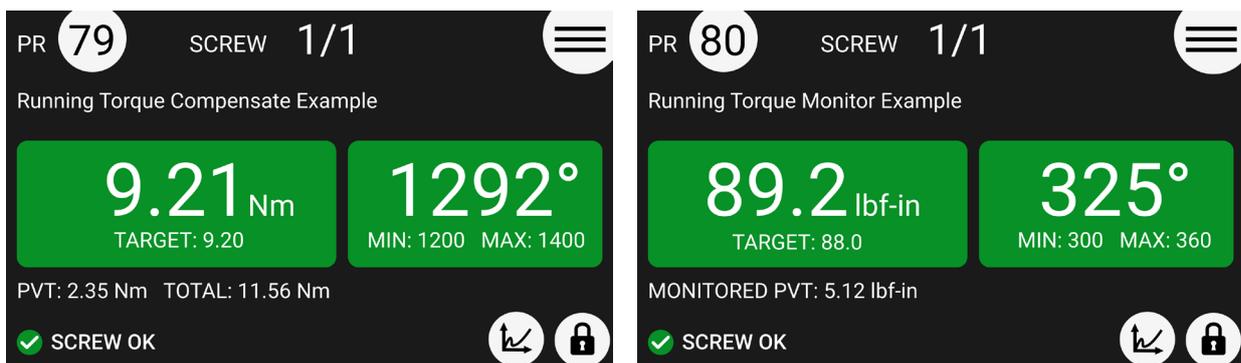
(5) MIN - MAX

If the running torque falls outside the min/max bounds, the tightening will stop with a corresponding error.

If using **Average** VALUE mode, the tightening will continue until the running torque window completes, and the average value will be checked against the min/max bounds.

If using **Peak** VALUE mode, the tightening will end immediately if the measured torque exceeds the max BOUND at any time within the running torque window.

Examples of tightening results using the PV/RUNNING TORQUE functions:



(6) MAX POWER PHASE

The MAX POWER PHASE function makes the screwdriver work at maximum torque from the beginning of the rundown until the set time or angle are reached.

WARNING: This function is useful for applications where the prevailing torque is higher than the final target torque (for example self-tapping screws or locknuts). Please use this function with the utmost attention because an incorrect use can damage both the assembly and the screwdriver!

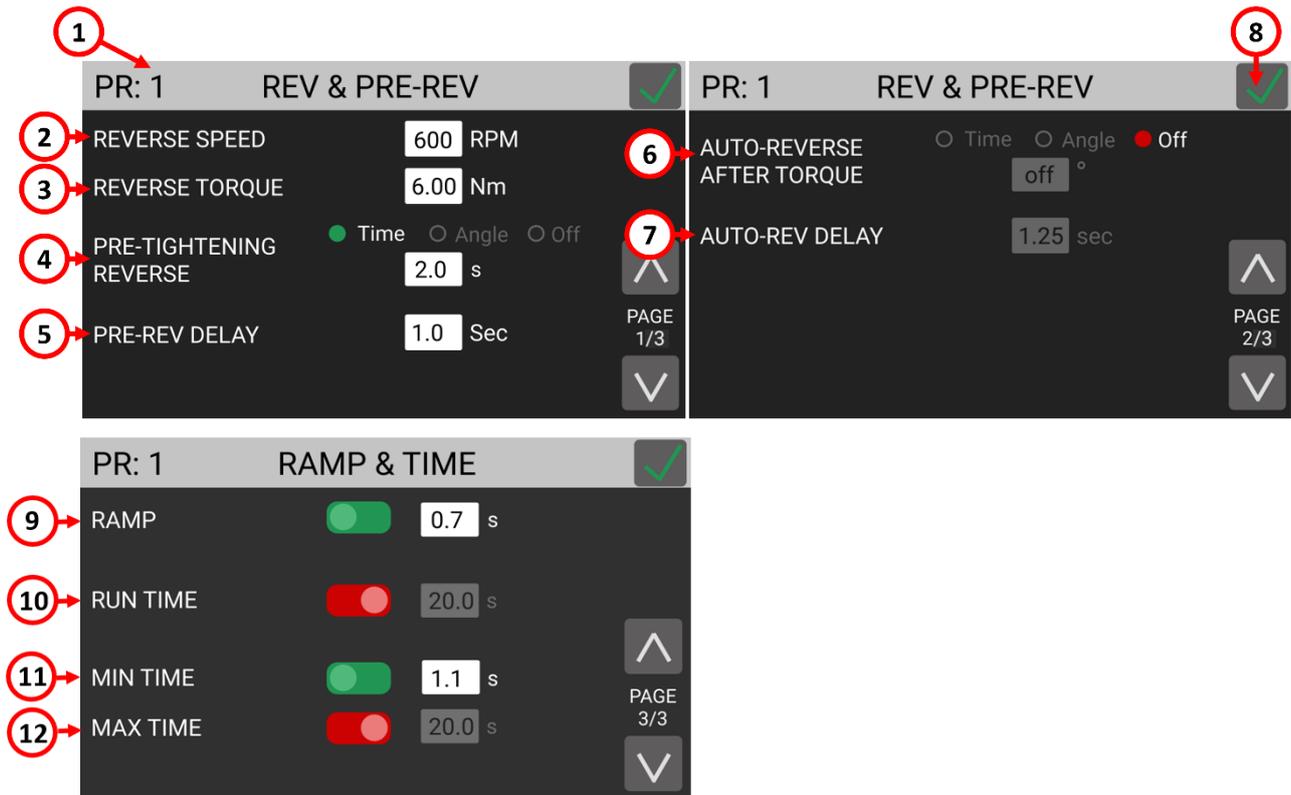
If the torque measured during the prevailing torque time exceeds the maximum torque achievable by the screwdriver, in other words, if the screwdriver stops turning during the prevailing torque phase, "Error pvt time" will be displayed.

If OFF, this functionality is disabled.

(7) Exit/Save Key

Tap to return to the previous menu and save or discard any changes made.

REVERSE, RAMP, TIME menu



(1) Program number

Indicates the program that is currently being edited. You can select a different program to edit from the previous screen.

(2) REVERSE SPEED

Tap to select the untightening speed of the screwdriver, in RPM.

WARNING: This setting also applies to the PRE-TIGHTENING REVERSE and AUTO-REVERSE AFTER TORQUE functions.

Settings from the TORQUE & ANGLE and RAMP & TIME menu do not apply when untightening.

Note that you can invert the tightening and untightening direction of rotation via PROGRAMS > OTHER > [ROTATION](#).

(3) REVERSE TORQUE

Tap to set the maximum reverse torque that the screwdriver will allow while untightening, within the range of the screwdriver selected.

WARNING: This setting also applies to the PRE-TIGHTENING REVERSE and AUTO-REVERSE AFTER TORQUE functions.

If you're using an open-end wrench attachment, the reverse torque should be set to MIN value in order to bring the wrench back to the correct position.

(4) PRE-TIGHTENING REVERSE

This function makes the screwdriver turn in the reverse direction for a set time duration or angle after the target torque or angle are reached.

The speed and torque utilized in the PRE-TIGHTENING REVERSE phase are set in the REVERSE SPEED and REVERSE TORQUE settings above.

If OFF, this functionality is disabled.

(5) **PRE-REV DELAY**

The amount of idle time between the end of the PRE-TIGHTENING REVERSE phase and the tightening phase. The lever must remain pressed or the remote start command must remain active during this idle time. Cannot be set to less than 0.3 seconds. Only active if the PRE-TIGHTENING REVERSE function is not OFF.

(6) **AUTO-REVERSE AFTER TORQUE**

This function makes the screwdriver turn in the reverse direction for a set time duration or angle after successfully completing the tightening phase.

The speed and torque utilized in the PRE-TIGHTENING REVERSE phase are set in the REVERSE SPEED and REVERSE TORQUE settings above.

This function activates only if the screw result from the tightening phase was OK. If there was an error in executing or completing the tightening phase, the screwdriver will not proceed with the AUTO-REVERSE AFTER TORQUE phase.

WARNING: the lever must remain pressed or the remote start command must remain active during the entire AUTO-REVERSE AFTER TORQUE phase, otherwise the screwing result will be NOK and an error will be raised.

If OFF, this functionality is disabled.

Note: if the tightening phase was successful, the OK signal will not be raised until the completion of the AUTO-REVERSE AFTER TORQUE phase. The TORQUE and ANGLE results displayed at the end of the AUTO-REVERSE AFTER TORQUE phase will correspond to the torque/angle results from the tightening phase, and not those from the AUTO-REVERSE AFTER TORQUE phase.

(7) **AUTO-REV DELAY**

The amount of idle time between the end of the tightening phase and the AUTO-REVERSE AFTER TORQUE phase. The lever must remain pressed or the remote start command must remain active during this idle time. Cannot be set to less than 0.3 seconds. Only active if the AUTO-REVERSE AFTER TORQUE function is not OFF.

(8) **Exit/Save Key**

Tap to return to the previous menu and save or discard any changes made.

(9) **RAMP**

The ramp function makes the screwdriver gradually accelerate to the target SPEED. Enter a time between 0.3 and 3 seconds to set the duration of the ramp phase.

OFF: the screwdriver starts immediately turning at the target SPEED when the lever is pressed (or when the screwdriver starts through remote control).

ON: the screwdriver speed will ramp up to the target SPEED in the time set.

If you wish to display an error when the screwdriver reaches target torque or angle during the ramp phase, use the (4) MIN TIME function with a timer value equal to the RAMP timer.

(10) **RUN TIME**

The RUN TIME function makes the screwdriver stop after the set timer, irrespective of the torque or angle reached.

ON: the screwdriver will stop after the set amount of time or when the torque or angle targets are reached, whichever event happens first. If the run time is reached before the target torque or angle, then the torque and angle reached at the time the screwdriver stops will be displayed and will be used to determine whether the result was OK or NOK depending on the min/max limits set on torque, angle, and/or time.

OFF: the screwdriver will turn indefinitely until the target or max limits set on torque, angle, and/or time are reached.

(11) MIN TIME

The MIN TIME function makes the screwing result NOK (error) if the target torque or angle is reached before the set minimum time.

ON: “Below minimum time” error will be displayed if target torque or angle is reached before the set minimum time, counting from the moment the lever is pressed or a remote start signal is received.

OFF: this functionality is disabled.

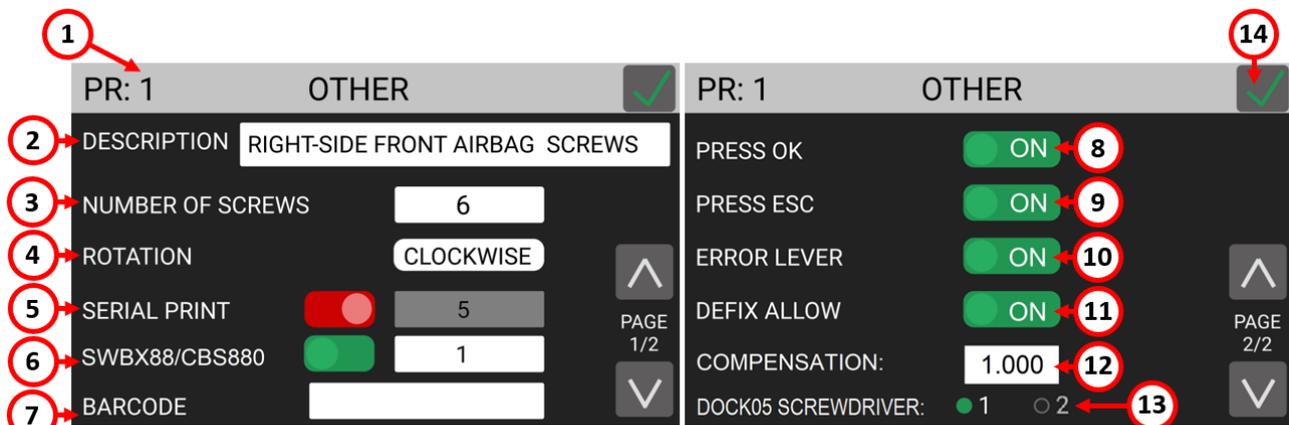
(12) MAX TIME

The MAX TIME function makes the screwing result NOK (error) if the target torque or angle is not reached before the set maximum time.

ON: “Over maximum time” error will be displayed if target torque or angle is not reached before the set maximum time, counting from the moment the lever is pressed or a remote start signal is received.

OFF: this functionality is disabled.

OTHER menu



(1) Program number

Indicates the program that is currently being edited. You can select a different program to edit from the previous screen.

(2) DESCRIPTION

Tap to enter a program description of up to 30 alphanumeric characters. The description will be displayed in the main screen.

(3) NUMBER OF SCREWS

Tap to set the number of screws (0 to 99) for this program. Also referred to as “batch size” in the industry. The end of program signal will be raised upon the successful tightening of the last screw in the program.

Enter zero to disable screw counting for this program.

Note: a program with NUMBER OF SCREWS set to zero behaves the same as a program with NUMBER OF SCREWS set to one when utilized in a sequence (SEQUENCE menu).

(4) ROTATION

Tap to set the direction of rotation of the screwdriver for the tightening phase. All of the screwdriver functions (angle measurements, direction of rotation for reverse phase, etc.) will adapt to the selected direction of rotation.

(5) SERIAL PRINT

Tap to enable and set a value from OFF to 5. The value identifies the number of line feeds (empty lines) printed between a results string and the next on the serial ports (CN2 and CN4) and serial printer accessory. Affected by the [RESULTS FORMAT](#) setting. If OFF, no data will be transmitted through CN2 or CN4.

(6) SWBX88/CBS880

Tap to enable and utilize the SWBX88 or CBS880 Kolver accessories with the current program being edited.

Enter 1 through 8 to assign the current program ([Program number](#)) number to the corresponding physical slot (1 through 8) of the Kolver accessory.

See [Connecting a bit-tray or switchbox \(CBS880, SWBX88\)](#) for more details.

(7) BARCODE

Tap to enter the SCAN BARCODE screen to assign a barcode to the current program being edited. To be used in conjunction with the BARCODE MODE: - ON PRG - in the GENERAL SETTINGS menu.

The PROGRAM barcode can be up to 16 alphanumeric characters. QR codes of up to 16 alphanumeric characters are supported, provided that the scanner is configured correctly (RS-232, 9600 baud, 8 data bits, 1 stop bit, no parity).

(8) PRESS OK

ON: the “press OK” screen will appear upon successful completion of the last screw of the program.

When this screen appears, the screwdriver will remain disabled until the operator taps OK on the touch screen, or until the “REMOTE OK” external signal is received.

OFF: the control unit will reset automatically when the lever is pressed or the remote start signal is received after the last screw of the program is successfully completed.

Note: the “press OK” screen will not appear if the NUMBER OF SCREWS is set to zero, even if enabled. If you want the “press OK” screen to appear after every screw, set NUMBER OF SCREWS to one.

Note: this setting is ignored if the program is being used within a sequence (job). The program transition setting within the sequence will define the behavior in this case.

(9) PRESS ESC

ON: the “press ESC” screen will appear whenever an error occurs during a tightening or untightening operation.

When this screen appears, the screwdriver will remain disabled until the operator taps ESC on the touch screen, or until the “REMOTE ESC” external signal is received.

OFF: the control unit will clear the error automatically when the lever is pressed or the remote start signal is received after the error occurs (in this case, the remote start signal must first be pulled down after the error occurs in order to re-start the tightening).

(10) LEVER ERROR

ON: an error will be raised if the lever is released before reaching the target torque, angle, and/or run time.

OFF: releasing the lever in the middle of a tightening will not result in an error signal, even if the target torque, angle, and/or run time have not been reached.

(11) DEFIX ALLOW

ON: the reverse button on the screwdriver is enabled for this program.

OFF: to disable the reverse button on the screwdriver for this program.

Note: the PRE-TIGHTENING REVERSE and AUTO-REVERSE AFTER TORQUE functionality can still be used when this setting is OFF.

(12) COMPENSATION

This setting changes the calibration factor for the current program. Default value is 1. The torque measured when working with the current program is multiplied by this factor. For example, if a torque value of 3 Nm is displayed with the COMPENSATION setting at 1, but you measure an effective torque value of 3.03 Nm with an external measurement tool, you modify the COMPENSATION setting to 0.99. Repeating the tightening with the same joint should now yield a torque value of 3 Nm (result of 3.03 Nm * 0.99) in both the K-DUCER and the external torque measurement tool.

This function is useful when the torque result measured by an external instrument is not in line with the result measured by the K-DUCER, provided you are sure that the external instrument is properly calibrated and showing the correct result.

This can happen when working on rigid joints or with angle heads, or when the KDS screwdriver is overdue for a calibration.

WARNING: This function changes the value of the calibration factor of the KDS screwdriver (for the current program only) and therefore must be used only in case of real need and with a full understanding of what is being modified. In all other cases it should be left at 1. Contact your Kolver representative when in doubt. See

[CALIBRATION](#) for more details.

(13) DOCK05 SCREWDRIVER

N/A to the KDS-NT system.

(14) Exit/Save Key

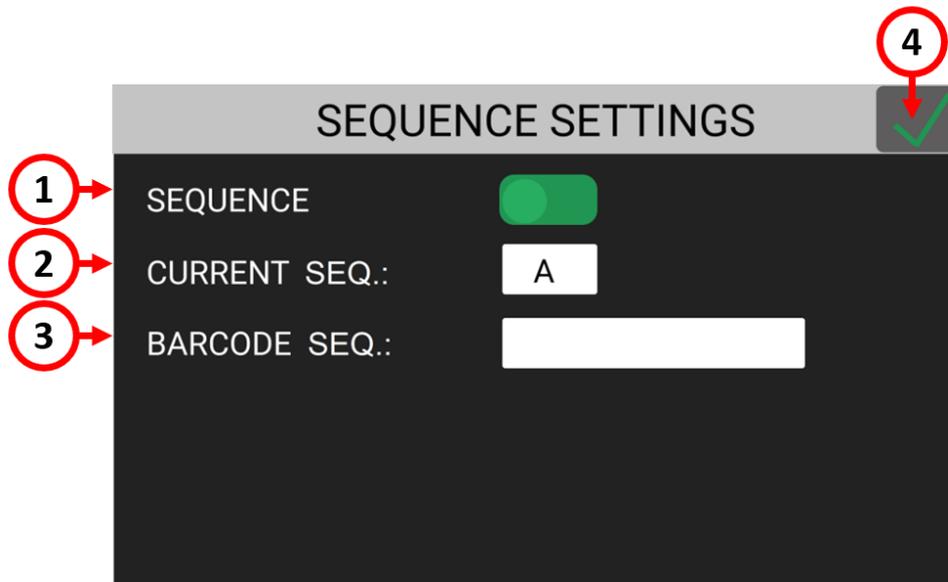
Tap to return to the previous menu and save or discard any changes made.

SEQUENCE SETTINGS menu

Sequences, also referred to as “jobs” in the industry, are ordered series of up to 16 programs with the option to define how to transition between programs.

With the K-DUCER series, you can define up to 8 different sequences as well as assign a barcode to each for automatic selection via a barcode scanner.

Tap the Sequence Settings button from the main menu to enter the sequence menu.



(1) SEQUENCE toggle

Tap the toggle to activate sequence mode in the main screen and work with sequences.

(2) CURRENT SEQ.

Tap the CURRENT SEQ. input field to enter the sequence edit menu for one of 8 sequences (A through H).

The sequence shown in the CURRENT SEQ. input field corresponds to the pre-selected sequence in the main screen.

You can also select a different sequence to work with directly from the main screen.

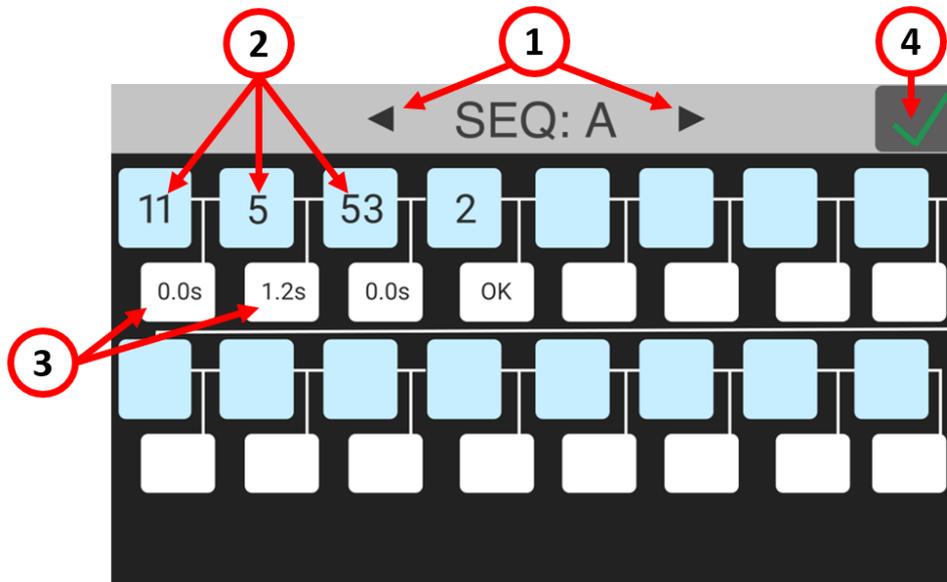
Manual selection of sequences is disabled if you utilize a [REMOTE SEQ](#) setting different from “Off”.

(3) BARCODE SEQ.

Tap to enter the SCAN BARCODE screen to assign a barcode to the sequence shown in CURRENT SEQ. To be used in conjunction with the BARCODE MODE: - ON SEQ - in the GENERAL SETTINGS menu.

The SEQUENCE barcode can be up to 16 alphanumeric characters. QR codes of up to 16 alphanumeric characters are supported, provided that the scanner is configured correctly (RS-232, 9600 baud, 8 data bits, 1 stop bit, no parity).

CURRENT SEQ. menu



(1) Sequence letter

Indicates the sequence that is currently being edited.

Tap the arrows to select a different sequence to edit (A through H).

(2) Program number box

Tap to change or insert a program into the sequence. The sequence flows left to right, top to bottom.

You can insert any of the 64 programs into any of the 16 spots in the sequence. You can also insert the same program in different boxes if desired.

(3) Program transition box

Tap the box to define the transition behavior between the two corresponding programs in the sequence.

The transition behavior can be:

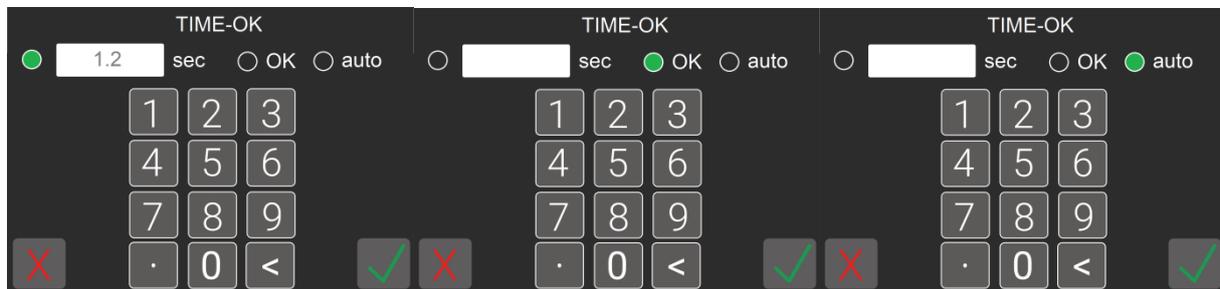
Time: when the previous program is successfully completed, the unit will automatically switch to the next program after the set amount of time, in seconds. The screwdriver will remain disabled until the transition timer completes. The timer begins counting as soon as the program is completed, even if the lever is not depressed or the remote start command is not removed. The allowable range is 0.3 to 10 seconds.

OK: when the previous program is successfully completed, the “press OK” screen will appear.

When this screen appears, the screwdriver will remain disabled until the operator taps OK on the touch screen popup, or until the “REMOTE OK” external signal is received.

Auto: when the previous program is successfully completed, the unit will immediately switch to the next program WITHOUT having to depress the screwdriver lever or pull down the remote start command. This setting can be useful if you require multiple closing torques or angles on the same joint without stopping in between, or to create a screwdriving operation that is not otherwise possible within the parameters of a single program.

WARNING: use this transition setting with care and only when strictly necessary, as the operator will not have any time to react to the program change.

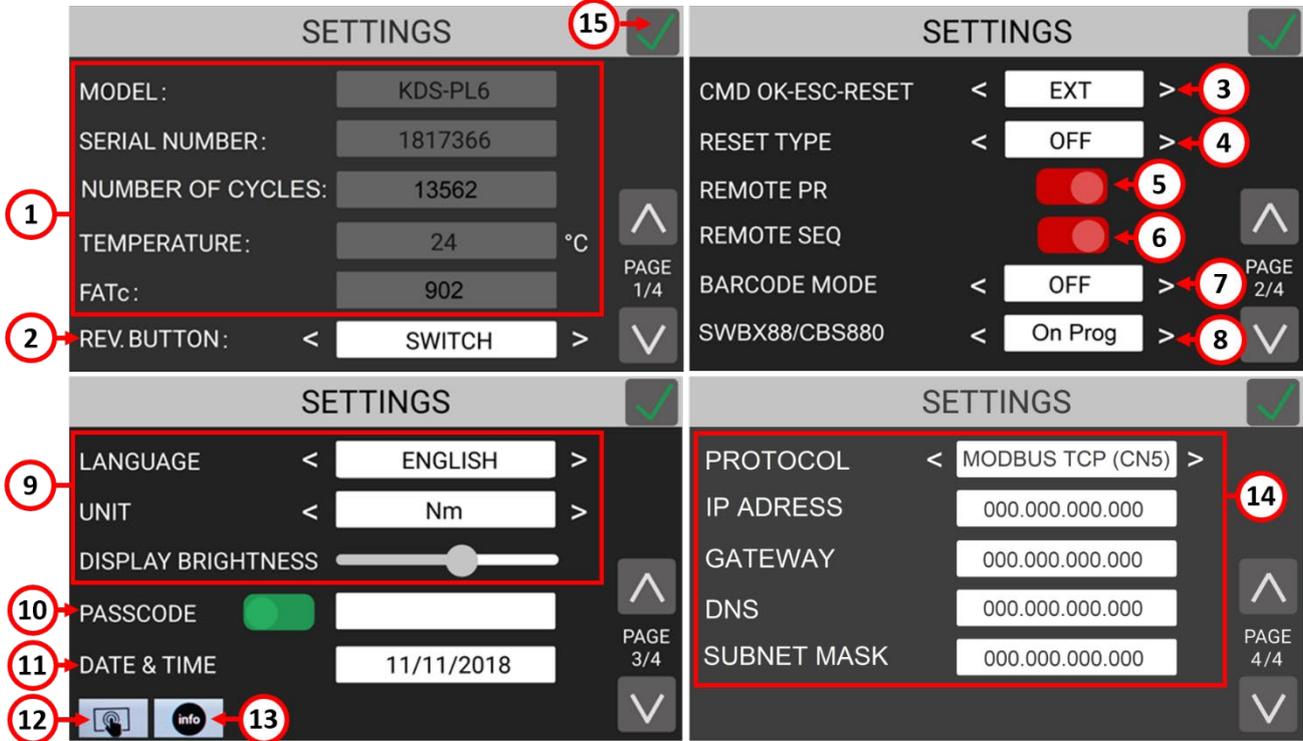


(4) Exit/Save Key

Tap to return to the previous menu and save or discard any changes made.

GENERAL SETTINGS menu

Tap the General Settings button from the main menu to enter the general settings menu. In this menu you can find information on the current KDS series screwdriver connected, configure Kolver accessories, configure I/O communications, add a password lock to the menu, and other settings that apply to all programs.



(1) TOOL INFO

Shows information of the connected screwdriver:

MODEL: the model of the connected screwdriver.

SERIAL NUMBER: the serial number of the connected screwdriver.

NUMBER OF CYCLES: the total cumulative number of cycles performed by the screwdriver. Also see [MAINTENANCE AND CARE](#) section.

FATc: the calibration value of the transducer, also available in the calibration certificate of the tool). Modifying this value requires a Service Passcode. Contact Kolver to schedule a factory re-calibration or to obtain the service passcode and calibration instructions to perform the re-calibration in-house.

(2) REVERSE BUTTON

Defines the behavior of the reverse button on the KDS screwdriver and on the remote reverse command. The two modes available are BUTTON and SWITCH.

BUTTON mode: the screwdriver will run in reverse only while pressing the reverse button on the KDS screwdriver or while sending the remote reverse command.

SWITCH mode: pressing and releasing the reverse button on the KDS screwdriver or sending the remote reverse command will activate the reverse mode on the KDS screwdriver. Press the lever on the KDS screwdriver or send the remote start command

while in this mode to make the screwdriver run in reverse. The LEDs on the screwdriver will flash while this mode is active and the screwdriver is not turning.

(3) **CMD OK-ESC-RESET**

Changes the source for the commands “OK”, “ESC” (see “press OK” and “press ESC” settings on the PROGRAMS > OTHER menu), and “RESET” (see (4) below).

Choose “INT” (internal) to only allow these inputs from the touch screen display.

Choose “EXT” (external) to only allow these inputs to be received via external signals on the CN5 connector.

Choose “INT+EXT” to allow the OK/ESC/RESET commands from both the touch screen display and the external signals on CN5.

(4) **RESET TYPE**

Defines the behavior of the reset (“RST”) button and external reset signal.

OFF mode: disables the reset button and external signal.

PRG: resets the screws made counter of the current program to zero.

SCREW: decreases the screws made counter of the current program by one.

SEQ: resets the current sequence back to the first program and resets the screws made counter to zero. This option is will only appear if SEQUENCE mode is active ([SEQUENCE toggle](#) > ON).

If any barcode mode is active and the current [Screw count](#) is zero, the RST button/signal will also cause the “scan barcode” screen to reappear.

(5) **REMOTE PR**

Choose between one of four external program (PR) selection modes. These options are only available when working in program mode ([SEQUENCE toggle](#) OFF).

OFF: the program number is selected manually via the [Program \(“PR”\) number currently selected](#) button on the main screen.

CN5 TCP: the program is selected via the ethernet [COMMUNICATION PROTOCOL](#).

SWBX/CBS: the program is selected via the Kolver accessory SWBX88 or CBS880. See [Connecting a bit-tray or switchbox \(CBS880, SWBX88\)](#) for more details.

Barcode: the program is selected via a barcode scanner. This option cannot be selected directly, but it is automatically selected with a compatible [BARCODE MODE](#) selection.

(6) **REMOTE SEQ**

Choose between one of four external sequence (SEQ) selection modes. These options are only available when working in sequence mode ([SEQUENCE toggle](#) ON).

These options are analogous to the [REMOTE PR](#) described above, but for sequences.

(7) **BARCODE MODE**

Choose between OFF or one of five barcode modes:

OFF: disables/ignores barcode scans and settings

On S.N. (“on Serial Number”): on the main screen, the scan barcode screen will appear. Scanning a barcode will temporarily associate it with the current program. The barcode will be printed in the corresponding results string on the serial port and on the corresponding Modbus field (see serial print and remote I/O chapters on this manual).

The scan barcode screen will appear again after the current program completes on when a new program number is selected.

On PROG: on the main screen, the scan barcode screen will appear. Scanning a barcode will load the program containing the matching barcode. If there is no program with a matching barcode, the operator will be prompted to scan another barcode. The scan barcode screen will appear again after the loaded program completes. You can configure a unique barcode for each program via PROGRAM > OTHER > [BARCODE](#).

On SEQ: on the main screen, the scan barcode screen will appear. Scanning a barcode will load the sequence containing the matching barcode. If there is no sequence with a matching barcode, the operator will be prompted to scan another barcode. The scan barcode screen will appear again after the loaded sequence completes. You can configure a barcode for each sequence via the [BARCODE SEQ](#) setting on the [SEQUENCE SETTINGS](#) menu. This option will only appear if SEQUENCE mode is active ([SEQUENCE toggle](#) > ON).

SN+Prog: This mode combines the “On Serial Number” and “On PROG” modes. First, the “scan serial number barcode” screen will appear. Then, after the first scan, the “scan PROG barcode” screen will appear. The program containing the barcode matching the “PROG” scan (second scan) will be loaded, while the first barcode scanned (“serial number”) will be printed with the screwdriving results.

Both “scan barcode” screens will reappear after the program completes.

SN+Seq: This mode combines the “On Serial Number” and “On SEQ” modes. First, the “scan serial number barcode” screen will appear. Then, after the first scan, the “scan SEQ barcode” screen will appear. The sequence containing the barcode matching the “SEQ” scan (second scan) will be loaded, while the first barcode scanned (“serial number”) will be printed with the screwdriving results.

Both “scan barcode” screens will reappear after the sequence completes.

(8) [SWBX88/CBS880](#)

Changes the working mode for the SWBX88 and CBS880 Kolver accessories.

The working mode of the accessories also depends on whether REMOTE PR and REMOTE SEQ are set to SWBX/CBS.

See [Connecting a bit-tray or switchbox \(CBS880, SWBX88\)](#) for more details.

OFF: the accessory is completely disabled.

ON PROG: the position on the accessory is matched to the program number containing the corresponding SWBX88/CBS880 slot setting (Programs > Other > SWBX88/CBS880).

ON SEQ: the position on the accessory is matched to the sequence (A – 1, ... , 8 – H).

(9) [LANGUAGE / UNIT / BRIGHTNESS](#)

LANGUAGE: choose the display language: English, Italian, French, German, Spanish, Portuguese.

UNIT: choose the measurement units for torque: Nm, lbf.in, kgf.cm, ozf.in, cNm

DISPLAY BRIGHTNESS: increase or decrease the brightness of the touch screen display

(10) [PASSCODE](#)

Enables or disables the passcode lock for the configuration menu.

Tap the input field to enter a passcode, and enable the on/off toggle to activate it.

When the passcode is enabled, the lock icon on the main screen will have a red background, and the passcode will be required to access the configuration menu.

Should you forget the passcode, contact Kolver to obtain a master passcode.

(11) DATE & TIME

Tap to change the date and time of the unit. This changes the date and time associated with each (new) result reported in the serial print, usb, and modbus fields.

(12) TOUCH SCREEN CALIBRATION

Tap to enter the touch screen calibration function. Use this to correct problems with the alignment of the touch response of the display.

Touch the four blue dots with one finger where they appear on the screen. Contact Kolver if the problem persists.

(13) INFO

Tap to show the firmware versions loaded onto the unit and onto the connected KDS screwdriver.

(14) COMMUNICATION PROTOCOL

PROTOCOL: select the communication protocol to use between the following options:

K-Expand MiniUSB: to interface with the K-EXPAND via the MiniUSB port

MODBUS TCP (recommended): to interface with any device supporting the MODBUS TCP protocol via the ethernet port, including K-EXPAND and K-GRAPH

IP ADDRESS: the ethernet IP address of the K-DUCER unit. Must be assigned manually and be available/reserved in the local network, if applicable. The unit does not support DHCP assignment.

GATEWAY: the ethernet IP address of the local network gateway, if applicable. You can leave this as 0.0.0.0 in most cases.

SUBNET MASK: the subnet mask of the local network. The value must match the subnet mask of the other devices in the LAN. Usually this value is 255.255.255.0. Note that 0.0.0.0 will not work in most cases. Contact your IT support if unsure.

MAC ADDRESS: shows the MAC address of the K-DUCER (v35 and later).

(15) Exit/Save Key

Tap to return to the previous menu and save or discard any changes made.

USB menu

Tap the USB button from the main menu to enter the USB menu.

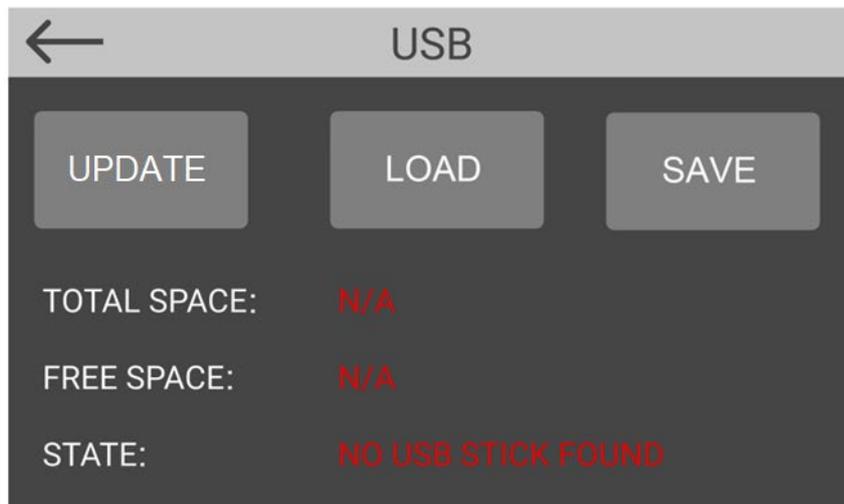
From this menu you can save and recall the K-DUCER configuration containing all program parameters, sequence parameters, and general settings, from a USB drive connected to the USB type-A port on the back of the unit.

You can also update the firmware of the KDU-NT controller, if Kolver provided you with a firmware update.

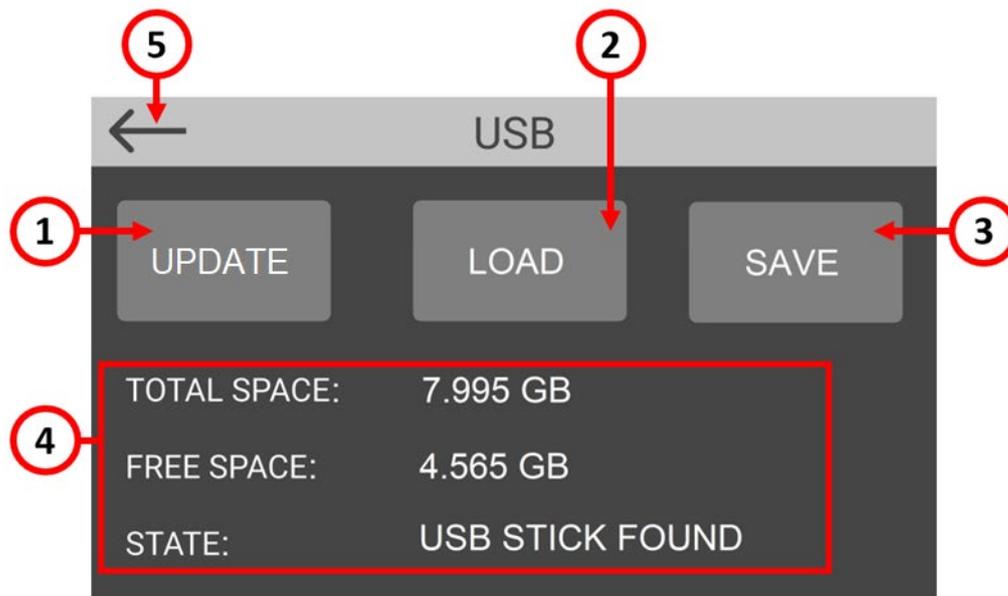
Note: use the USB type A port for this function, not the mini-USB port.

Note: the USB drive must be formatted with the FAT32 filesystem.

If there is no USB drive connected, or if the USB drive is not formatted with **FAT32** filesystem, the following screen will appear. Connect a properly formatted USB drive to correct this error.



If a properly FAT32-formatted USB key is connected, the load/save/delete buttons will be enabled:



(1) UPDATE firmware button

If Kolver provided you with a firmware update for the KDU-NT controller and it is loaded in the USB drive outside of any folders, tap this button to show it and update the firmware. After confirming the update, wait for completion until the KDU-NT automatically restarts. Do not power off the KDU-NT during the update. The update process can last up to 5 minutes.

(2) LOAD programs button

Tap to display a list of KDU files found in the root directory of the USB drive. Select the desired KDU file -the selected file will be highlighted in green-, previously saved from a K-DUCER unit or from the freely available K-EXPAND software for PC, then tap load to load the configuration onto the K-DUCER control unit.

(3) SAVE programs button

Tap to save the configuration of the K-DUCER control unit, including all program parameters, all sequence parameters, and all general settings, onto the connected USB drive. You will be prompted to enter a name for the configuration file. The file will have a .kdu extension and can be loaded onto this or other K-DUCER units or onto the freely available K-EXPAND software for PC.

(4) USB drive information

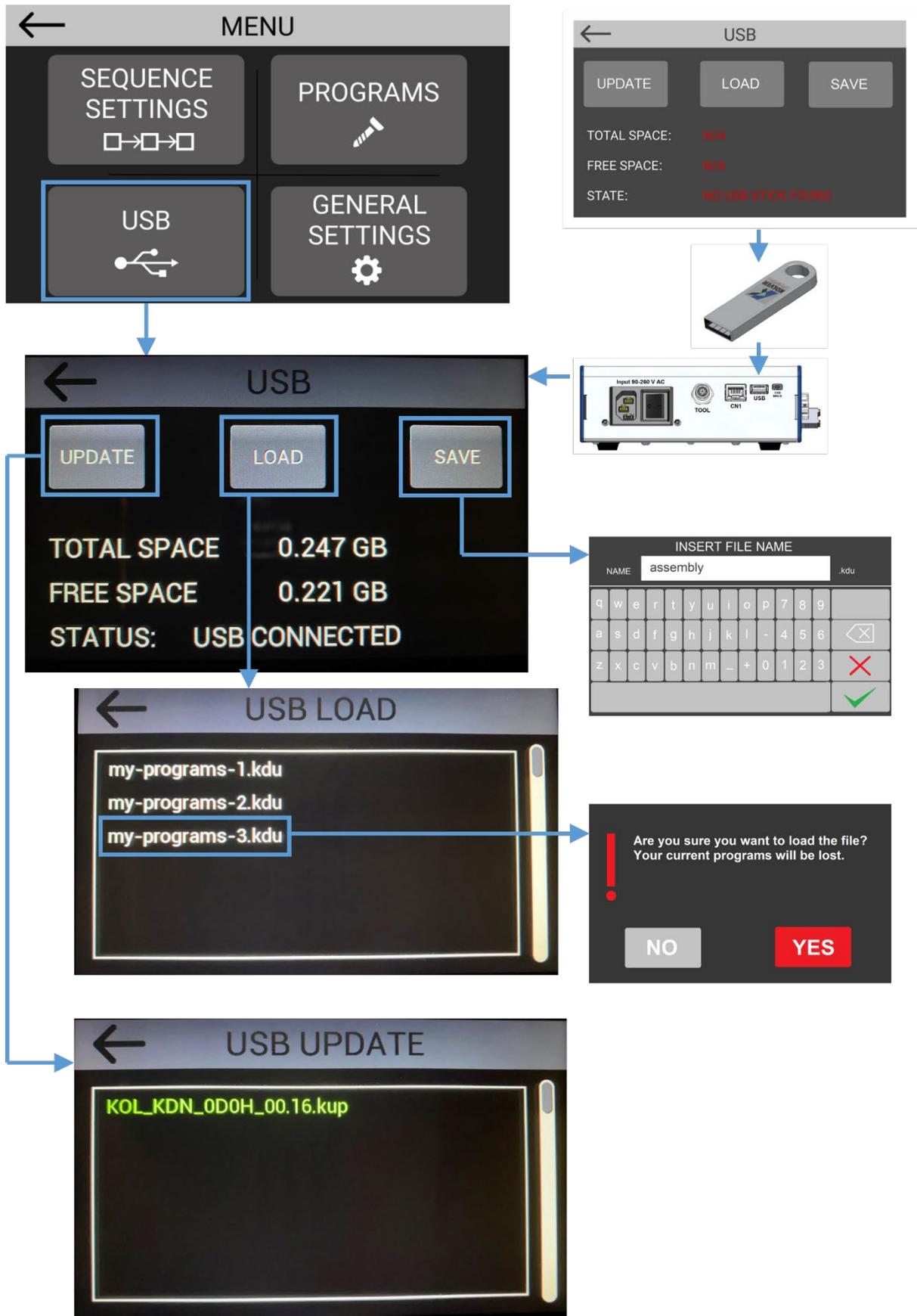
Shows the total space and available space of the connected USB drive, and whether a properly formatted USB drive is connected to the USB type-A connector on the K-DUCER unit.

Note: the unit can store about 7 million screwdriving results (cycles) for each GB of available space in the USB drive.

(5) Exit button

Tap to exit the USB menu.

USB menu tree



FREE K-EXPAND, K-LINK, AND K-GRAPH SOFTWARE

Kolver offers free PC software packages to accompany the K-DUCER series controllers. To download the software, visit www.kolver.com, select “K-DUCER Series” and click the download buttons on the right side., or contact kolver to obtain the setup files.

K-Expand-NT: K-EXPAND-NT is the free software developed by Kolver to set, change, and save all parameters of the KDU-NT control unit.

K-Link: K-LINK is the free software developed by Kolver to automatically store the tightening results from one or more K-DUCER control units, with no user intervention required. K-Link runs as a hidden background Windows service and starts automatically.

K-Graph: K-GRAPH is the free software developed by Kolver to visualize and analyze the torque and angle graphs, starting from a results CSV file or connecting live to a KDU controller via the ethernet or mini-USB port.

Note: thanks to the simple-yet-powerful, Modbus TCP interface, any entry level programmer can create custom scripts to retrieve data and remote-control the K-Ducer from virtually any ethernet-enabled platform. Refer to the [MODBUS TCP code examples and literature](#) section for more information.

REMOTE CONTROL INTERFACES

The K-DUCER unit supports the following data acquisition and remote-control interfaces to suit your automation and industry 4.0 needs:

- [24V I/O](#) signals (CN5), providing:
 - remote control (START/STOP/REVERSE and program/sequence selection)
 - angle counting start for [STARTING AT](#) mode “Ext”
 - binary data acquisition (MOTOR ON/ SCREW OK / SCREW NOK / STOP)

- [MODBUS TCP](#) via ethernet port (CN1), providing:
 - remote control (same functionality as 24V I/O except angle counting start)
 - status bits (MOTOR ON/ SCREW OK / SCREW NOK / STOP)
 - full data acquisition of last screwdriving result including torque/angle graphs
 - ability to change any program/sequence/setting parameter

- Open Protocol and ToolsNet Open Protocol support will be available at a later date

- MiniUSB interface::
 - same functionality available through MODBUS TCP
 - slower and less featureful than connecting via Modbus TCP
 - ideal if unsure how to set IP addresses for ethernet connection

Also refer to the [Retrieving and storing the screwdriving results](#) section

24V I/O

Introduction

The 24V signals allow start/stop control of the screwdriver, program selection, sequence selection, error detection and clearing, and more.

The advantage of this system is the simplicity of the control, but its disadvantages are:

- Data acquisition capability is limited to OK / NOK. Torque and angle values cannot be read via these I/O signals.
- The 24V signals are susceptible to being disturbed by electromagnetic interference (EMI), especially in the highly noisy electrical environments often found in assembly lines. Kolver recommends using shielded wires with grounded shields and ferrite beads to limit EMI.

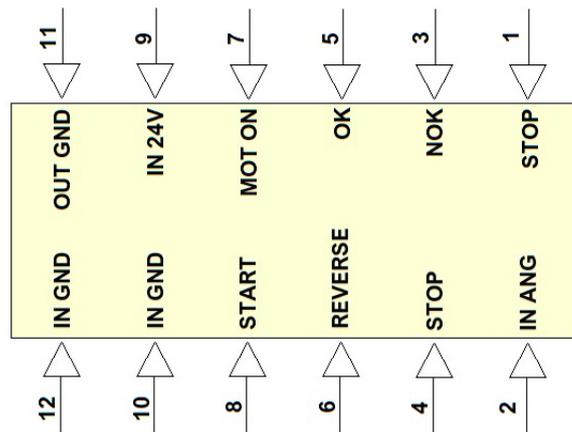
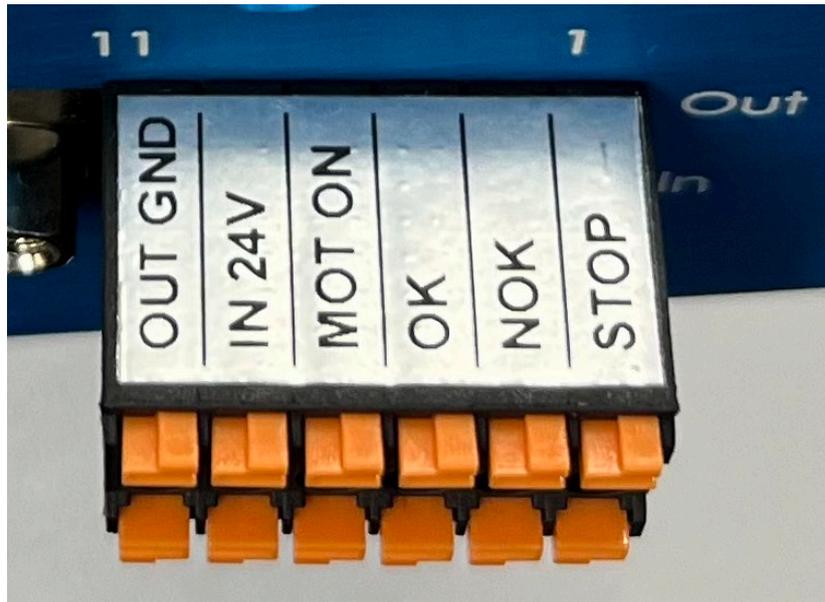
For these reasons, Kolver recommends using the more robust ethernet port with MODBUS TCP whenever possible.

The I/O controls available via CN5 are:

- [I] Actuate the screwdriver motor in tightening direction (START)
- [I] Actuate the screwdriver motor in de-tightening direction (REVERSE)
- [I] Lock/disable the screwdriver (STOP)
- [I] Angle counting start
- [O] OK result
- [O] NOK result
- [O] Screwdriver motor status
- [O] STOP motor status

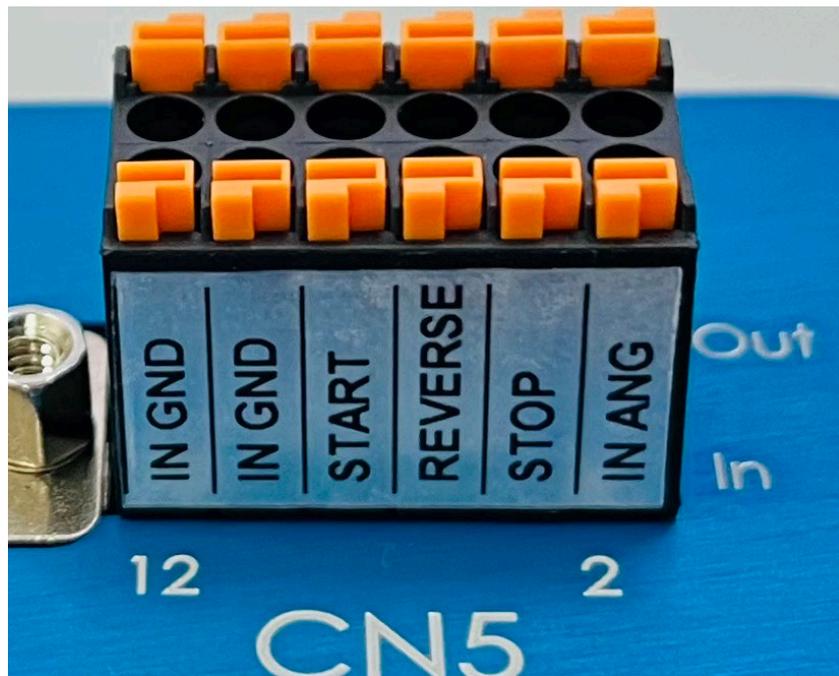
The voltage for both inputs and outputs must be brought in externally via the corresponding positive and ground terminals.

Pinout (CN5)



CN3 Connector

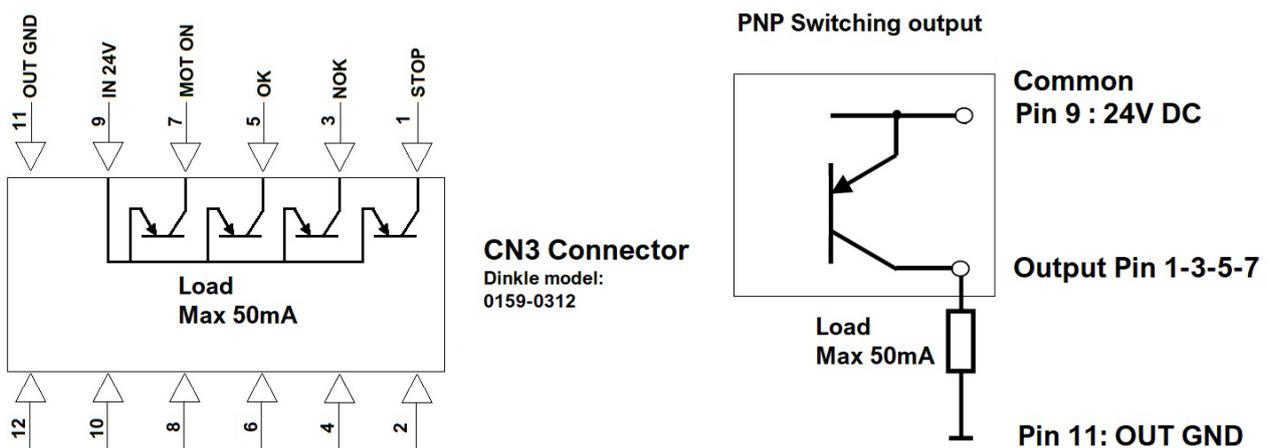
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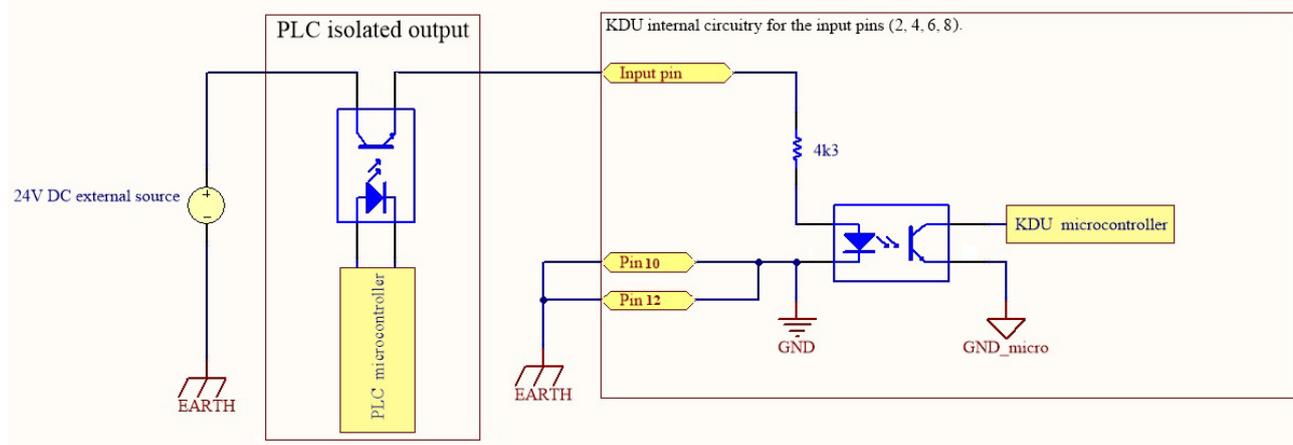
To connect, simply push the cable or the ferrule directly onto the corresponding hole.
To disconnect the cables, press lightly on the respective orange plate.

- Solid cable section min (mm²) 0.2
- Solid cable section max (mm²) 0.5
- Section of braided cable min (mm²) 0.2
- Section of braided cable max (mm²) 0.5
- Flexible cable section with min ferrule without sheath (mm²) 0.25
- Flexible cable section with max ferrule without sheath (mm²) 0.75
- Flexible cable section with min ferrule with sheath (mm²) 0.25
- Flexible cable section with max ferrule with sheath (mm²) 0.5

Note: you must supply a 24 VDC power source to Pin 9 to drive output signals 1-3-5-7, with grounding reference to Pin 11:



The input signals 2-4-6-8 require PNP logic: supply 24 VDC with respect to the grounding reference on Pin 10-12 to enable the corresponding function:



INPUT SIDE

The input signals 2-4-6-8 require PNP logic: supply 24 VDC with respect to the grounding reference on Pin 10 to enable the corresponding function.

When driving the inputs via an automated machine or PLC, it is recommended to program a delay of at least 30ms between each change of input signals.

PIN	NAME	FUNCTION
2	START	<p>Remote motor start.</p> <p>This pin serves the same function as the physical lever on the screwdriver. Activating it initiates the screwdriver motor. The signal must be maintained active for the motor to continue running.</p> <p>The motor will continue running until this signal is removed or until the tightening completes according to the current program parameters (for example, when reaching torque).</p> <p>As soon as the tightening completes, the screwdriver motor stops and this signal will be ignored until it is pulled down (for a recommended minimum of 30ms).</p>
4	REVERSE	<p>Remote motor reverse start.</p> <p>This pin serves the same function as the physical reverse button on the screwdriver. The behavior of the reverse button can be configured via General Settings > REVERSE BUTTON.</p>
6	STOP MOTOR	<p>Remote motor stop.</p> <p>When active, the screwdriver stops running and remains disabled. The message "STOP MOTOR ON" appears on the display.</p> <p>This signal disables the screwdriver and is prioritized over any other signal: START and REVERSE signals as well as the physical lever on the screwdriver will be ignored when STOP MOTOR is active.</p>
8	IN ANG	<p>Input signal to initiate the angle measurement during a tightening , when using the external signal setting for angle measurement. See PROGRAM menu > TORQUE & ANGLE > STARTING AT for more details.</p>
10	GND	Grounding reference for the power supply required to drive the inputs

OUTPUT SIDE

The output signals must be driven by a +24VDC potential supplied to pin 9 with grounding on pin 11.

The output signals NOK and OK remain active until the screwdriver changes state again, for example, when the operator or the PLC initiates another tightening.

PIN	NAME	FUNCTION
1	STOP	This signal is active when the screwdriver is in STOP MOTOR state. Note that entering the configuration menu on the touch screen puts the screwdriver in the STOP MOTOR state.
3	NOK	(Not-OK) This signal activates when the tightening (screw) completes unsuccessfully, outside of the parameters set for the current program, for example: torque reached under minimum time, torque reached outside angle bounds, etc. This signal remains active until the screwdriver changes state again, for example, when the operator or the PLC initiates another tightening.
5	OK	This signal activates when the tightening (screw) completes successfully and within the parameters set for the current program. This signal remains active until the screwdriver changes state again, for example, when the operator or the PLC initiates another tightening.
7	MOTOR ON (/W)	It activates when the screwdriver is tightening. Note: this signal does not activate when the screwdriver is reversing, it is intended for use with auto-advancing fixtures and arms.
9	IN 24V	Supply 24VDC power to this pin to drive the output signals
11	GND	Grounding reference for the power supply required to drive the outputs

MODBUS TCP

The recommended way to interface with the K-DUCER unit is through the MODBUS TCP protocol on the ethernet port (CN5).

MODBUS communication protocol provides a Client-Server interface between devices connected on an ethernet TCP/IP network.

The MODBUS protocol specifications are open source and freely available online at modbus.org, however most automation engineers will not need to worry about the implementation details because MODBUS is already supported and implemented by most ethernet-capable PLCs and industrial PCs.

We provide a detailed instructions manual as well as sample projects for various devices* illustrating how to use Modbus TCP to retrieve torque data and/or remote control the screwdriver. Simply download the “Modbus TCP Resources” packet from our website at <https://kolver.com/us/products/kducer-series>

These examples can be used as provided or as a starting point for in-house software development.

*currently included:

- Siemens S7 PLC project
- Allen Bradley Micro800 project
- scripts in PowerShell, Python, and C#
- Universal Robot instructions

Kolver’s automation engineers are also available to support with your integration.

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PROFINET / Ethernet IP / EtherCAT / others

Most PLCs are capable of communication via MODBUS TCP and come with ready-to-use MODBUS TCP libraries.

Kolver provides example projects for remote control and data acquisition of the K-DUCER via MODBUS TCP for Siemens (S7-1200) and AllenBradley (Micro800 series) PLCs. For those customers requiring or preferring to communicate or control the K-DUCER directly using other communication protocols such as PROFINET, Ethernet IP, or EtherCAT, Kolver recommends purchasing a protocol converter such as [ADFWeb protocol converters](#) , Anybus x-gateway converters, or similar devices.

Kolver can provide support in configuring these products.

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COLLABORATIVE ROBOTS

Kolver provides a URCap for plug-and-play functionality with Universal Robots (both CB3 and e-series) without needing to configure any communication protocol settings (other than assigning an IP address and selecting the Modbus TCP protocol on the KDU-NT unit).

Plugins for other brands of collaborative robots are also being developed.

MAINTENANCE AND CARE

INTRODUCTION

K-DUCER and KDS screwdrivers are precision tools. While built to withstand heavy use in industrial environments, good care and proper maintenance will go a long way in ensuring the best performance and lifetime of your instrument.

Make sure to follow the [INSTALLATION](#) instructions for the K-DUCER, KDS screwdriver, and the reaction arm.

The most important factor in ensuring long-lasting performance and lifetime of the instrument is to configure it properly for the job required. Read this manual carefully to ensure the tool is optimally configured for your application.

Some factors that can overwork and overheat the screwdriver include:

- Combination of high torque and low speed on very elastic joints (note that the screwdriver delivers high torques more efficiently at higher speeds)
- Very high duty cycles (< 3 seconds between tightenings), depending on the difficulty (torque, elasticity, speed) of the tightening
- High torques are defined as above 80% of the maximum nominal torque for the KDS screwdriver model. Consider upsizing to a higher-torque screwdriver model if most of your cycles are above 80% of the maximum nominal torque.

CALIBRATION

Recommended calibration interval: every 1,000,000 cycles. See [TOOL INFO](#) to check the number of cycles of your KDS screwdriver.

Kolver supplies all KDS series screwdrivers with the transducer pre-calibrated on a semi-elastic joint at a final speed of 100RPM (KDS models 15Nm and smaller) or 50RPM (KDS models 20Nm and larger). The calibration settings are unique to each KDS screwdriver and saved on the KDS screwdriver board.

Contact your Kolver representative to schedule a maintenance and calibration service with Kolver or through one of our ISO/NIST certified lab partners.

Alternatively, Kolver can provide calibration instructions for you to perform the calibration in-house.

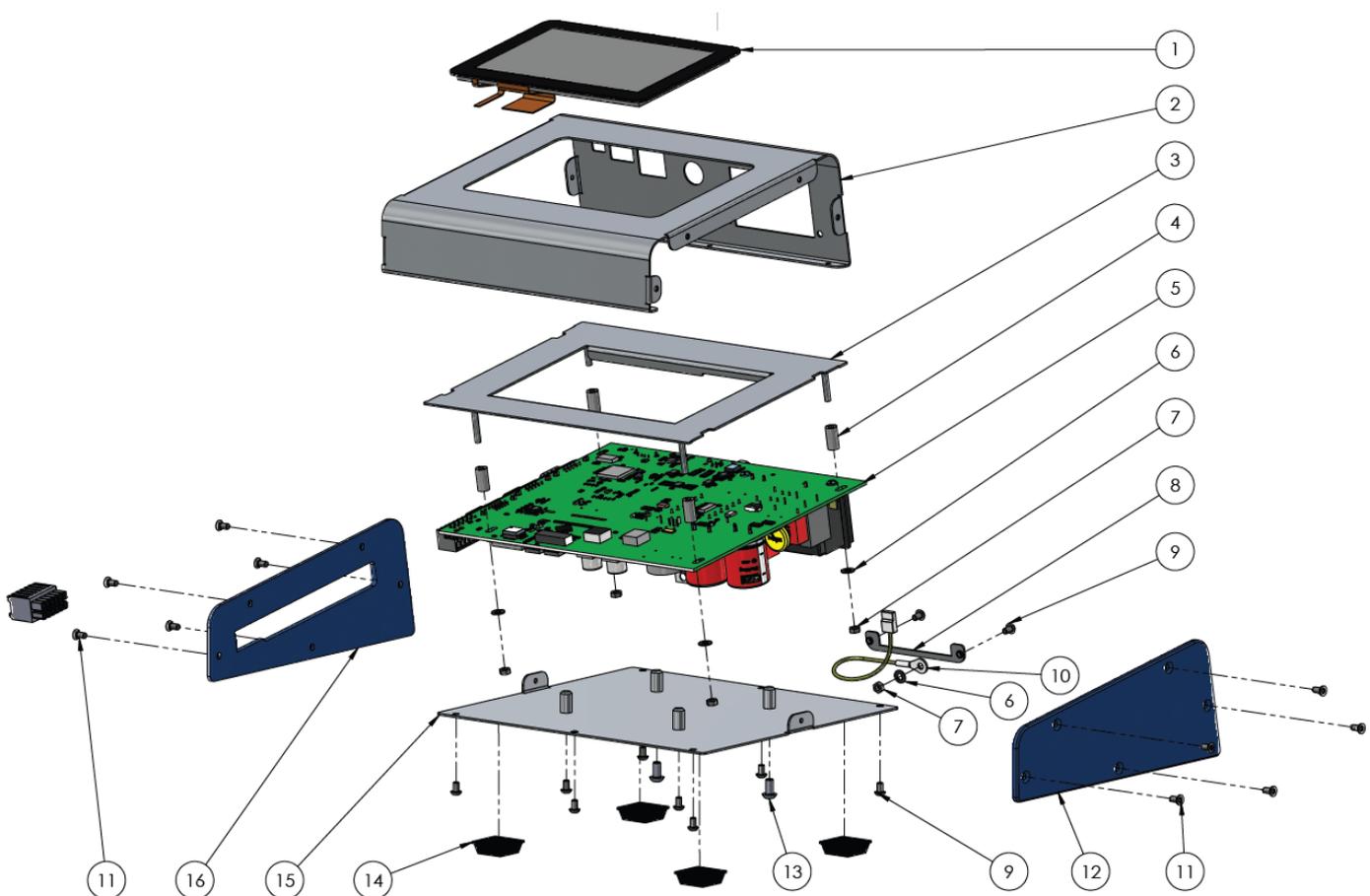
MAINTENANCE

Recommended maintenance interval: every 500,000 cycles or 12 months, whichever comes first. See [TOOL INFO](#) to check the number of cycles of your KDS screwdriver.

Maintenance consists of disassembling the screwdriver to clean and relubricate the gearbox, and checking the calibration of the screwdriver against a certified torque measurement tool. Contact your Kolver representative to schedule a maintenance service. Alternatively, Kolver can provide maintenance instructions.

EXPLODED VIEWS AND SPARE PARTS:

EXPLODED VIEW KDU-NT:



SPARE PARTS KDU-NT:

Position	Description	Part Number	Quantity
1	DISPLAY TOUCH 5"	852532	1
2	LAMIERA FRONTALE KDU_NT	872602	1
3	LAMIERA INCOLLATA^UNITÀ KDU_NT	872604	1
4	DISTANZIALE CILINDRICO 12 MM ESP C	872436/N	4
5	SCHEDA KDU_NT	852539	1
6	RONDELLA DENTELLATA M3	800041	5
7	BN117 DADO M3 ZN BIANCO	800056	5
8	LAMELLA DI FERMO PER PRESA	872605	1
9	BN6404 VITE M3 X 5 TESTA BOTTONE ZN	872444	10
10	CAVO TERRA	800090/E	1
11	BN4851 VITE TSP M3X6 TX10 ZN	801002	10
12	FIANCO DX KDU_NT	872601	1
13	BN6404 VITE M4X8 TESTA BOTTONE ZN	872534	2
14	PIEDINI DI GOMMA	800016-B	4
15	FONDO KDU_NT	872603	1
16	FIANCO SX KDU_NT	872600	1
	LABEL	818012	1
	CABLE 3x0,75 H05VVF 2mt. SCHUKO	800620	1

SPARE PARTS KDS-NT70 – KDS-NT70/HM - KDS-NT120 – KDS-NT120/H:

DISTINTA KDS-NT 70 165050 E KDS-NT120 165120 Rev1			
NUM. ARTICOLO	DESCRIZIONE	CODICE	QUANTITÀ
1	PROTEZIONE PULSANTE KDS NT	234912-S	2
2	PULSANTE REVERSE KDS NT	231535/NT	2
3	PICOBLADE DOPPIO 2P PER REVERSE KDS 50MM	231559	2
4	VITE M2,5x4 TX8	872487	4
5	COPERCHIO KDS NT	250203	1
6	SCHEDA KDS-NT	852540	1
7	PICOBLADE DOPPIO 4P PER LED KDS NT 75MM	231566	1
8	VITE M2X4MM TX6	231531	6
9	SCHEDA LED AVVITATORE KDS NT	852541	1
10	GANCIO	200060	1
11	CONNETTORE M12 8PIN	201766/NT	1
12	BN2041 2,2X12 SVASATA LED PER KDS NT	872489	2
13	GUIDA LED PLW5-5mm FOR KDS-XX/D	231553	4
14	CORPO AVVITATORE KDS NT	250202	1
15	PICOBLADE DOPPIO 4P PER ENC KDS NT 75MM	231565	1
16	VITE M2X3	250044	1
17	CAVO TERRA	231546/PN	1
18	RONDELLA DENTELLATA M2	801005	
19	LAMELLA TERRA	200084	1
20	ENCODER KDS-NT70	250041-M-160-2	1
21	MOTORIDUTTORE NATO70	231512/05	1
	MOTORIDUTTORE NATO120	231512/12	
22	KIT ALBERO KDS NT50	250047/T/KIT	1
23	CANNOTTO PORTAMOTORE KDS NT	250201	1
24	BN404 VITE TAGLIO M3X6 TESTA RIDOTTA	801010	3

Lever Kit:

1	KIT LEVA KDS NT	10450	1
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/HM Half-Moon model:

23	KIT ALBERO KDS NT50	250047/T/KIT	
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SPARE PARTS KDS-NT70 – KDS-NT70/HM - KDS-NT120CA – KDS-NT120CA/HM:

DISTINTA 165150 KDS -NT70 CA 165151 KDS-NT120CA REV1			
NUM. ARTICOLO	DESCRIZIONE	CODICE	QUANTITÀ
1	BN6404 VITE M2,5X4 TX8 T BOTTONE ZN TX8	872487	4
2	COPERCHIO SCHEDA KDS NTCA SENZA PULSANTE	250203/CA	1
3	SCHEDA PER AVVITATORE KDS NT	852540	1
4	PICOBLADE DOPPIO 4P PER LED KDS NT 75MM	231566	2
5	BN3334 VITE M2 X 4 TCB TERRA PL6	801004	6
6	SCHEDA LED AVVITATORE KDS NT	852541	1
7	GANCIO / HOOK	200060	1
8	CONN M12 8 PIN +MOLEX 8 PIN KDS NT70	201766/NT	1
9	BN2041 2,2X12 SVASATA LED PER KDS NT	872489	2
10	GUIDA LED PLW5-5MM FOR KDS-XX/D	231553	4
11	CORPO AVVITATORE KDS NT/CA SENZA PULSANT	250202/CA	1
12	PICOBLADE DOPPIO 4P PER ENC KDS NT 75MM	231565	2
13	CABLAGGIO TERRA PLUTO /TA NEW	231546/PN	1
14	BN3334 VITE M2 X 3 NATO	250044	3
15	BN 781 RONDELLA DENT. M2/2,2 X PL/TA	801005	1
16	Occhiello M3 (FAB/RAF/PLUTO/BRL)	200084	1
17	ENCODER MAGNETIC 160CPR 2MM KDS-NT70	250041/M-160-2	1
18	MOTORIDUTTORE NATO70	231512/05	1
	MOTORIDUTTORE NATO120	231512/12	
19	KIT ALBERO KDS NT50	250047/T/KIT	1
20	CANNOTTO PORTAMOTORE KDS NT	250201	1
21	BN404 VITE TAGLIO M3X6 TESTA RIDOTTA	801010	3

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